

## POST BOARD ACTION AGENDA

**Meeting of the Cook County Board of Commissioners  
County Board Room, County Building  
Tuesday, March 20, 2007, 10:00 A.M.**

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### **REQUEST TO PLACE A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED CONTRACT BACK ON THE AGENDA FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION**

#### **ITEM #1**

##### **REFERRED TO THE LITIGATION SUBCOMMITTEE, AS AMENDED #285655**

Transmitting a Communication, dated March 14, 2007 from

ANTHONY J. PERAICA, County Commissioner

I wish to place the contract with Avatar Systems, Ltd., Chicago, Illinois, that was approved at the October 4, 2006 County Board Meeting (Item #29) back on the agenda for further discussion. In addition, I request that this contract be referred to the ~~Committee on Information Technology and Automation~~ Litigation Subcommittee for additional discussion and inquiry.

Transmitting a Communication from

CATHERINE MARAS O'LEARY, Chief Information Officer,  
Bureau of Information Technology and Automation

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Avatar Systems, Ltd., Chicago, Illinois, for phase 3 of a state of the art interoperable mobile video and data network system for first responders for the Homeland Security Public Safety Initiative, part of the Homeland Security grant.

Reason: Avatar Systems, Ltd. is currently a subcontractor under this grant in which it has performed very well and will allow for additional technology to be implemented within the same budget amount.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Grant funded amount: \$12,064,677.00. One time purchase. (769-570 Account). Requisition No. 67690017.

### **JOURNALS OF PROCEEDINGS**

#### **ITEM #2**

##### **REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION #285656**

### **JOURNAL**

**(February 20, 2007)**

DAVID ORR, Cook County Clerk presented in printed form a record of the Journal of the Proceedings of the special meeting held on Tuesday, February 20, 2007.

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#### **ITEM #3**

##### **REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION #285657**

### **JOURNAL**

**(February 21, 2007)**

DAVID ORR, Cook County Clerk presented in printed form a record of the Journal of the Proceedings of the meeting held on Wednesday, February 21, 2007.

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**JOURNALS OF PROCEEDINGS continued**

**ITEM #4**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION #285658**

**JOURNAL**

**(February 22, 2007)**

DAVID ORR, Cook County Clerk presented in printed form a record of the Journal of the Proceedings of the special meeting held on Thursday, February 22, 2007 at 3:00 P.M.

**WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES**

**ITEM #5**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to replace the furnace and add air conditioning at the North Branch Division Headquarters at 6633 Harts Road, Niles, Illinois in Palatine Township, County Board District #13.

Permit #:	060344
Requested Waived Fee Amount (100%):	\$737.00

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991, that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$737.00.

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**ITEM #6**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to replace the furnace and add air conditioning at the Deer Grove Sub-Division Headquarters at 410 West Dundee Road, Palatine, Illinois in Palatine Township, County Board District #14.

Permit #:	060351
Requested Waived Fee Amount (100%):	\$576.00

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991, that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$576.00.

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**WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES continued**

**ITEM #7**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for bridge replacement at Sunset Meadow Bridge at 8350 West North Avenue, Melrose Park in Leyden Township, County Board District #9.

Permit #:	061295
Requested Waived Fee Amount (100%):	\$6,325.00

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991, that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$6,325.00.

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**ITEM #8**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for shelter repairs at Ned Brown Meadow #29, 3401 West Golf Road, Rolling Meadows, Illinois in Elk Grove Township, County Board District #15.

Permit #:	061438
Requested Waived Fee Amount (100%):	\$435.00

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991, that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$435.00.

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**ITEM #9**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for shelter repairs at Ned Brown Meadow #30, 3401 West Golf Road, Rolling Meadows, Illinois in Elk Grove Township, County Board District #15.

Permit #:	061439
Total Fee Amount (100%):	\$435.00

**WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES continued**

**ITEM #9 cont'd**

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991, that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$435.00.

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**ITEM #10**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for shelter repairs at Barrington Road Pond, 1750 Barrington Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois in Hanover Township, County Board District #15.

Permit #:	061440
Requested Waived Fee Amount (100%):	\$435.00

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991, that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$435.00.

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**ITEM #11**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for shelter repairs at Shoe Factory Woods #1, 1800 New Sutton Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois in Hanover Township, County Board District #15.

Permit #:	061441
Requested Waived Fee Amount (100%):	\$435.00

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991, that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$435.00.

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**WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES continued**

**ITEM #12**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for shelter repairs at Shoe Factory Woods #2, 1800 New Sutton Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, in Hanover Township, County Board District #15.

Permit #:	061442
Requested Waived Fee Amount:	\$435.00

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991 that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$435.00.

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**ITEM #13**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for roof repairs at Busse Forest #1, 900 West Higgins Road, Elk Grove Village, Illinois in Elk Grove Township, County Board District #15.

Permit #:	061534
Requested Waived Fee Amount:	\$91.00

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991 that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$91.00.

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**ITEM #14**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for roof repairs at Busse Forest #2, 900 West Higgins Road, Elk Grove Village, Illinois in Elk Grove Township, County Board District #15.

Permit #:	061535
Requested Waived Fee Amount:	\$91.00

**WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES continued**

**ITEM #14 cont'd**

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991 that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$91.00.

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**ITEM #15**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for roof repairs at Busse Forest #3, 900 West Higgins Road, Elk Grove Village, Illinois in Elk Grove Township, County Board District #15.

Permit #:	061536
Requested Waived Fee Amount:	\$91.00

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991 that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$91.00.

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**ITEM #16**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from

DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning

respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to split the existing electric system at 1700 North Quentin Road, Palatine, Illinois in Palatine Township, County Board District #14.

Permit #:	070145
Requested Waived Fee Amount:	\$35.00

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991 that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$35.00.

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**WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES continued**

**ITEM #17**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from  
DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning  
respectfully request the granting of a No Fee Permit for the Village of Skokie, Community Development Department for the parking lot at the Holocaust Museum located in the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Harms Woods at 9626 Woods Drive, Skokie, Illinois in Niles Township, County Board District #13.

Permit #:	061618
Requested Waived Fee Amount (100%):	\$8,561.50

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance No. 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991 that all building and zoning permit fees be waived for public entities defined as county, township, municipality, municipal corporation, school district, forest preserve district, park district, fire protection district, sanitary district, library district and all other local governmental bodies.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$8,561.50.

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**ITEM #18**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from  
DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning  
respectfully request the granting of a 10% Reduced Fee Permit for Loyola University Medical Center "USP-797 Sterile Preparation Area" at 2160 South First Avenue, Maywood, Illinois in Proviso Township, County Board District #16.

Permit #:	061970
Total Fee Amount:	\$5,149.00
Requested Waived Fee Amount (90%):	\$4,634.10
Amount Due (10%):	\$514.90

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991, that valid not-for-profit organizations be required to pay ten percent (10%) of the standard permit fees as established by Ordinance.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$4,634.10.

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**ITEM #19**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 21, 2007 from  
DONALD H. WLODARSKI, Commissioner, Department of Building and Zoning  
respectfully request the granting of a 10% Reduced Fee Permit for Christ Community Church to replace the dishwasher at 13400 South Bell Road, Lemont, Illinois in Lemont Township, County Board District #17.

Permit #:	070151
Total Fee Amount:	\$109.00
Requested Waived Fee Amount (90%):	\$98.10
Amount Due (10%):	\$10.90

**WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES continued**

**ITEM #19 cont'd**

This request is pursuant to the County Board's adoption of Ordinance 91-O-45 on September 16, 1991, that valid not-for-profit organizations be required to pay ten percent (10%) of the standard permit fees as established by Ordinance.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$98.10.

**PRESIDENT'S APPOINTMENT**

**ITEM #20**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION, INTERGOVERNMENTAL & VETERANS RELATIONS #285659**

Transmitting a Communication from

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

Pursuant to Cook County Ordinance, 91-O-11, Section 2-402 of the County's Code, I hereby appoint Donna Dunnings to the position of Chief Financial Officer, effective immediately.

Donna Dunnings has served in a number of key positions within Cook County over the past twenty years and has a tremendous amount of experience in Cook County's financial administration. For five years, Ms. Dunnings served as the County's Deputy Chief Financial Officer where she aided the Chief Financial Officer in the management and direction of the Bureau of Finance which oversees the Budget, Purchasing, Contract Compliance, Revenue, Comptroller and Risk Management Departments. Furthermore, for the past three years, Ms. Dunnings has served as the Cook County Budget Director where she has prepared the County's Annual Appropriation Bill and coordinated and developed annual and long term budgetary projections for all County departments.

Ms Dunnings' experience in the Cook County financial administration is an advantage to the County of Cook. Her professional experience and educational background will certainly be a benefit to the County of Cook.

I submit this communication for your approval.

**MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS**

**ITEM #21**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication from

SYLVIA EDWARDS, Acting Chief Operating Officer, Oak Forest Hospital of Cook County

The medical staff reappointment applications and medical staff status changes with no change to clinical privileges presented have been professionally reviewed and recommended for the status shown. The Board of Commissioners will be notified confidentially when there are physicians herein who have any malpractice claims or professional sanctions when such specific cases have not previously been presented to the Board of Commissioners. Additional information concerning such matters will be available on a confidential basis through the Secretary of the Board.

**MEDICAL STAFF REAPPOINTMENT APPLICATIONS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Status</u>
DeMarais, Patricia, M.D. Account #110; Grade K-8, Step 5; Budget #8980030; Position ID No. 0289877; Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009	Medicine/Infectious Disease	Active Physician
Gertzen, Jo, M.D. Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009	Medicine	Voluntary Physician
French, Audrey, M.D.	Medicine/Infectious Disease	Affiliate Physician

**MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS continued**

**ITEM #21 cont'd**

**MEDICAL STAFF STATUS CHANGES WITH NO CHANGE TO CLINICAL PRIVILEGES**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>
Gertzen, Joyce, M.D.	Medicine From Account #110; Grade K-8, Step 5; Budget #8980030; Position ID No. 9525421 to Voluntary Status; Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009
Makar, Emil, M.D.	Medicine From Account #110; Grade K-6, Step 5; Budget #8980030; Position ID No. 9525422 to Account #110; Grade K-8, Step 5, Budget #8980030; Position ID No. 9525421 from Active Physician to Acting Chairperson, Department of Medicine; Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009

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**ITEM #22**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication from

SIDNEY A. THOMAS, Chief Operating Officer, Provident Hospital of Cook County

The initial medical staff Appointments and medical staff Reappointments presented have been professionally reviewed and recommended for the status shown. The Board of Commissioners will be notified confidentially when there are physicians herein who have any malpractice claims or professional sanctions when such specific cases have not previously been presented to the Board of Commissioners. Additional information concerning such matters will be available on a confidential basis through the Secretary of the Board.

**INITIAL MEDICAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Status</u>
Dorman, James, M.D.	Medicine/Neurology	Affiliate Physician
	Account #110; Grade K-6, Step 5; Budget #8970168; Position ID No. 9521980; Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009	
Patel, Aiyub, M.D.	Critical Care	Voluntary Physician
Speer, Esther, M.D.	Pediatrics/Neonatology	Consultant Physician
	Will be funded by Midwest Neo-Pediatrics, a physician contract management company; Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009	
Tessy, Joseph, M.D.	Pediatrics/Neonatology	Consultant Physician
	Will be funded by Midwest Neo-Pediatrics, a physician contract management company; Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009	

**MEDICAL STAFF REAPPOINTMENTS**

**Department of Critical Care**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Status</u>
Nwakanma, Chuck, M.D.	Critical Care	Ancillary Physician
	Account #155; Grade ZZ; Budget #8910500; Position ID No. 9932240; Reappointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009	

## **MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS continued**

**ITEM #22 cont'd**

## **Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology**

## **Department of Pediatrics**

Battle-Miller, Kimberly, M.D.      Pediatrics      Ancillary Physician  
Account #133; Grade ZZ; Budget #8910505; Position ID No. 9932191; Reappointment effective  
March 15, 2007 through March 14, 2009

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**ITEM #23**

THOMAS J. GLASER, Chief Executive Officer, President of the U.S. 11th Circuit

The initial appointments, reappointment applications and medical staff change with no change in clinical privileges presented for Stroger Hospital of Cook County have been professionally reviewed and recommended for the status shown. The Board of Commissioners will be notified confidentially when there are physicians herein who have any malpractice claims or professional sanctions when such specific cases have not previously been presented to the Board of Commissioners. Additional information concerning such matters will be available on a confidential basis through the Secretary of the Board.

## INITIAL APPOINTMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Status</u>
Hodge, Beth O., M.D.	Medicine/Endocrinology	Voluntary Physician
Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		
Kogan, Monica, M.D.	Surgery/Orthopedics	Voluntary Physician
Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		
Narh, Raymond T., M.D.	Medicine/General Medicine	Voluntary Physician
Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		
Thambi, Rakhi W., M.D.	Surgery/Otolaryngology	Voluntary Physician
Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		
Toerne, Theodore, M.D.	Medicine/Occupational Medicine	Voluntary Physician
Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		
York, Michelle A., CCP	Surgery/Cardiothoracic	Voluntary Perfusionist
Appointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		

**MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS continued**

**ITEM #23 cont'd**

**REAPPOINTMENT APPLICATIONS**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Department</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>
<b><u>Department of Anesthesiology</u></b>		
Behnia, Rahim, M.D.	Administration	Active Physician
Account #110; Grade K-12, Step 0; Budget #8970268; Position ID No. 9523062; Reappointment effective July 10, 2007 through July 9, 2009		
Tyler, Serge, M.D.	Orthopedic/GU	Active Physician
Account #110; Grade K-11, Step 5; Budget #8970279; Position ID No. 9523210; Reappointment effective July 10, 2007 through July 9, 2009		
Waxler, Beverly, M.D.	Post Anesthesia Care	Active Physician
Account #110; Grade K-12, Step 0; Budget #8970270; Position ID No. 9523097; Reappointment effective July 10, 2007 through July 9, 2009		
<b><u>Department of Emergency Medicine</u></b>		
Bailitz, John, M.D.	Emergency Medicine	Active Physician
Account #110; Grade K-9, Step 4; Budget #8970285; Position ID No. 9523311; Reappointment effective July 10, 2007 through July 9, 2009		
Griffin, Eric, M.D.	Emergency Medicine	Service Physician
Account #133; Grade ZZ, Step 0; Budget #8970285; Position ID No. 9933865; Reappointment effective May 15, 2007 through May 14, 2009		
<b><u>Department of Family Practice</u></b>		
Frigo-Bare, Judith, M.D.	Family Practice	Active Physician
Account #110; Grade K-7, Step 4; Budget #8930430; Position ID No. 0300170; Reappointment effective April 18, 2007 through April 17, 2009		
<b><u>Department of Medicine</u></b>		
Fegan, Claudia, M.D.	General Medicine	Active Physician
Account #110; Grade K-9, Step 5; Budget #8930435; Position ID No. 0389302; Reappointment effective May 15, 2007 through May 14, 2009		
Gurka, David, M.D.	General Medicine	Voluntary Physician
Reappointment effective May 15, 2007 through May 14, 2009		
Piette, Warren, M.D.	Dermatology	Active Physician
Account #110; Grade K-12, Step 0; Budget #8970172; Position ID No. 0500387; Reappointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		
Piller, Simon, M.D.	General Medicine/Pediatrics	Active Physician
Account #110; Grade K-4, Step 4; Budget #8930431; Position ID No. 9519532; Reappointment effective May 15, 2007 through May 14, 2009		
Riles, William, M.D.	Gastroenterology	Active Physician
Account #110; Grade K-10, Step 3; Budget #8970175; Position ID No. 0300224; Reappointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		
Shah, Sejal, M.D.	General Medicine	Voluntary Physician
Reappointment effective May 15, 2007 through May 14, 2009		
Silver, Michael, M.D.	General Medicine	Voluntary Physician
Reappointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		

**MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS continued**

**ITEM #23 cont'd**

**Department of Medicine**

Tulaimat, Aiman, M.D. General Medicine Active Physician  
Account #110; Grade K-6, Step 5; Budget #8970174; Position ID No. 9522067; Reappointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009

Wong, Alton, M.D. Medical Oncology Consulting Physician  
Account #133; Grade ZZ, Step 0; Budget #8970161; Position ID No. 9932553; Reappointment effective April 18, 2007 through April 17, 2009

**Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology**

Brotman, Monique, M.D. Obstetrics & Gynecology Voluntary Physician  
Reappointment effective June 19, 2007 through June 18, 2009

**Department of Pediatrics**

Severin, Paul, M.D. Pediatrics Critical Care Active Physician  
Account #110; Grade K-8, Step 5; Budget #8970232; Position ID No. 9522767; Reappointment effective July 10, 2007 through July 9, 2009

**Department of Psychiatry**

Lee, Choong Hun, M.D. Cermak Health Services of Voluntary Physician  
Cook County/Psychiatry  
Reappointment effective April 18, 2007 through April 17, 2009

**Department of Radiology**

Ameen, Dean, M.D. Radiation Oncology Voluntary Physician  
Reappointment effective May 15, 2007 through May 14, 2009

Dunne, Patrick, M.D. Administration/Special Procedures Active Physician  
Account #110; Grade K-12, Step 0; Budget #8970213; Position ID No. 0300234; Reappointment effective June 19, 2007 through June 18, 2009

Gilkey, Susan, M.D. General Radiology Active Physician  
Account #110; Grade K-12, Step 0; Budget #8970209; Position ID No. 9522505; Reappointment effective June 19, 2007 through June 18, 2009

Larson, John, M.D. General Radiology Active Physician  
Account #110; Grade K-11, Step 5; Budget #8972514; Position ID No. 9519988; Reappointment effective July 10, 2007 through July 9, 2009

Kelekar, Anita, M.D. Imaging Center Active Physician  
Account #110; Grade K-12, Step 0; Budget #8970212; Position ID No. 9522582; Reappointment effective May 15, 2007 through May 14, 2009

Pisaneschi, Mark, M.D. Out-Patient Radiology Active Physician  
Account #110; Grade K-12, Step 0; Budget #8972514, Position ID No. 0300177; Reappointment effective June 19, 2007 through June 18, 2009

Rajbhandari, Dharma, M.D. Radiology Active Physician  
Account #110; Grade K-10, Step 5; Budget #8970215; Position ID No. 9522631; Reappointment effective May 15, 2007 through May 14, 2009

Trepaskho, Donald, M.D. Nuclear Medicine Active Physician  
Account #110; Grade K-12, Step 0; Budget #8970214, Position ID No. 9522615; Reappointment effective May 15, 2007 through May 14, 2009

**MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS continued**

**ITEM #23 cont'd**

**Department of Surgery cont'd**

Arensman, Robert, M.D.	Pediatrics Surgery	Voluntary Physician
Reappointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		
Suffern, Jennifer (Joyce), D.P.M.	Orthopedic Surgery	Active Physician
Account #110; Grade K-3, Step 4; Budget #8970247; Position ID No. 9522889; Reappointment effective May 15, 2007 through May 14, 2009		

**Mid-Level Practitioner:**

Baker, Laurie J., PAC	Ruth M. Rothstein Core Center	Physician Assistant
Account #110; Grade K-22, Step 2; Budget #8970181, Position ID No. 0289757; Reappointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		

Crawford, Janet T., CNS	Ambulatory and Community Health Network of Cook County	Clinical Nurse Specialist
Account #110; Grade FF, Step 13; Budget #8970307; Position ID No. 9523518; Reappointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		

Kahn, Kathleen S., PAC	Obstetrics and Gynecology	Physician Assistant
Account #110; Grade K-22, Step 6; Budget #8970264; Position ID No. 9723054; Reappointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		

Pacyga, Rosemary J., CNP	Ruth M. Rothstein Core Center	Voluntary Nurse Practitioner
Reappointment effective April 18, 2007 through April 17, 2009		

Ramos, Lourdes L., CNP	Surgery	Nurse Practitioner
Account #110; Grade FF, Step 13; Budget #8970242; Position ID No. 9522833; Reappointment effective March 20, 2007 through March 19, 2009		

Sikora, Ann M., PAC	Emergency Medicine	Physician Assistant
Account #110; Grade K-22, Step 6; Budget #8970285, Position ID No. 0189711; Reappointment effective April 18, 2007 through April 17, 2009		

**MEDICAL STAFF CHANGE WITH NO CHANGE IN CLINICAL PRIVILEGES**

**Name** **Department**

Joseph, Kimberly, M.D.	Trauma	
From Active Physician, Grade K-11, Step 5 to Grade K-12; Budget #8970295; Position ID No. 9523459		

Bokari, Faran, M.D.	Trauma	
From Active Physician, Grade K-11, Step 5 to Grade K-12; Budget #8970296; Position ID No. 9523464		

Nagy, Kimberly, M.D.	Trauma	
From Active Physician, Grade K-11, Step 5 to Grade K-12; Budget #8970297; Position ID No. 9523467		

Perez, Tamayo, Anthony, M.D.	Surgery/Cardiothoracic	
From Active Physician, Grade K-11, Step 5 to Grade K-12; Budget #8970240; Position ID No. 0189799		

Nguyen, Tuan, M.D.	Obstetrics and Gynecology/Maternal Fetal Medicine	
From Medical Division Chair, Grade K-12 to Budget #8970263; Position ID No. 9623015		

**MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS continued**

**ITEM #23 cont'd**

Dennis, Andrew, M.D. Position Trauma  
From Active Physician, Grade K-5, Step 5 to Grade K-11, Step 5; Budget #8970297; Position ID No. 9523468

Starr, Frederick, M.D. Position Trauma  
From Active Physician, Grade K-5, Step 5 to Grade K-11, Step 5; Budget #8970296; Position ID No. 9523465

Patel, Urjeet, M.D. Surgery/Otolaryngology  
From Active Physician, Grade K-9, Step 5 to Grade K-12 to Budget #8970249, Position ID No. 9932457

Mejia, Alfonso, M.D. Surgery/Orthopaedic  
From Active Physician, Grade K-6, Step 1 to Grade K-11, Step 2; Budget #8970247; Position ID No. 0022893

Kapotas, James, M.D. Surgery/Orthopaedic  
From Active Physician, Grade K-11, Step 5 to Grade K-12; Budget #8970247; Position ID No. #0022892

Madura, James, M.D. Surgery/General Surgery  
From Active Physician, Grade K-9, Step 5 to Grade K-12; Budget #8970238; Position ID No. 9522810

Pillai, Srikumar, M.D. Surgery/Pediatric  
From Active Physician, Grade K-11, Step 5 to Grade K-12; Budget #8970250; Position ID No. 9522906

Wiley, Dorian, M.D. Trauma  
From Active Physician, Grade K-5, Step 5 to Grade K-11, Step 5; Budget #8970298; Position ID No. 0023475

**PROPOSED GRANT AWARD ADDENDUM**

**ITEM #24**

Commissioner Peraica, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, moved that the Proposed Grant Award Addendum be referred to the Committee on Information Technology and Automation. **The motion was withdrawn.**

Commissioner Peraica, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, moved to divide the question. **The motion carried.**

Commissioners Daley and Sims voted "no".

Commissioner Peraica, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved to authorize the acceptance of the grant extension and refer the communication to the Committee on Information Technology and Automation. Commissioner Sims called for a Roll Call, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

**ROLL CALL ON MOTION TO APPROVE AND REFER**

Yea: Beavers, Butler, Claypool, Gorman, Goslin, Peraica, Quigley Schneider, Silvestri, Suffredin - 10.

Nay: None.

Divided: Daley, Moreno, Murphy, Sims, Steele - 5.

Absent: Collins, Maldonado - 2.

Commissioners Daley, Moreno, Murphy, Sims and Steele divided their vote as follows: "yes" on the grant extension and "no" on the referral to the Committee on Information Technology and Automation.

**The motion to approve the grant extension and refer the communication to the Committee on Information Technology and Automation CARRIED. (Comm. No. 285660).**

**PROPOSED GRANT AWARD ADDENDUM continued**

**ITEM #24 cont'd**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 12, 2007 from

DANIEL J. COUGHLIN, Executive Director, Judicial Advisory Council

requesting authorization to accept a grant extension from March 31, 2007 through March 31, 2008 from the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) for the federal fiscal year 2005 Urban Area Security Initiative. The purpose of this grant is to provide equipment and supplies to law enforcement, fire, public health and public work professionals throughout the County as well as provide for the completion of the Sheriff's Criminal Apprehension Booking System (CABS), hardening of critical facilities, provision of exercise and training certified by the U.S. Department of Homeland for first responders and the continued installation of the interoperable communications system called Project Shield.

The authorization to accept the original grant was given on September 20, 2005 by the Cook County Board of Commissioners in the amount of \$22,465,000.00.

The Budget Department has reviewed this item, and all requisite documents have been submitted.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Funding period extension: March 31, 2007 through March 31, 2008.

**GRANT AWARD ADDENDUM**

**ITEM #25**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 27, 2007 from

DENNIS MANZKE, Chief of the Administrative Services Bureau, State's Attorney's Office

requesting authorization to accept a supplemental grant award in the amount of \$53,500.00 and extend for six (6) months, a grant from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) for the State's Attorney's Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) funding. This supplemental award will enable the State's Attorney's Office to continue to dedicate four (4) part-time law clerks and one (1) Assistant State's Attorney to the Gang Crimes Unit within the Special Prosecutions Bureau for an additional six (6) months. In accordance with the Project Safe Neighborhoods mission, these law clerks and the assistant state's attorney are dedicated to the investigation and prosecution of firearms offenses from the City of Chicago and surrounding Cook County suburbs. In addition, Project Safe Neighborhoods funding allows for the purchase of equipment to enhance our office's ability to investigate and prosecute firearms-related cases.

This grant does not require a match contribution.

The authorization to accept the original grant was given on March 1, 2006 by the Cook County Board of Commissioners in the amount of \$166,436.00.

The Budget Department has reviewed this item, and all requisite documents have been submitted.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Supplemental Grant Award: \$53,500.00. Funding period extension: April 1, 2007 through September 30, 2007.

**GRANT RENEWAL APPLICATION**

**ITEM #26**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 8, 2007 from

DENNIS MANZKE, Chief of the Administrative Services Bureau, State's Attorney's Office

requesting authorization to apply for a grant renewal in the amount of \$324,094.00 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women for the Cook County State's Attorney's Target Abuser Call (TAC) Program. The TAC Program is a prosecution-based program that has become a national model in the fight against domestic violence. It is a sound approach built on a foundation of victim safety and offender accountability. The TAC Program is a partnership between the State's Attorney's Office, the Social Service Department of the Office of the Chief Judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County, Life Span Center for Legal Services and Advocacy ("Life Span") and the Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Program of Hull House Association ("Hull House"). This grant will provide funding for two of the TAC partner agencies, Life Span and Hull House, as well as training for all TAC Team members. These not-for-profit domestic violence partners are critical to the success of the TAC Program and complete TAC's approach of providing wraparound services to high-risk victims of domestic violence. The wraparound services provided through the TAC Program provide a better opportunity for victims to break the cycle of violence while ensuring victim cooperation, victim safety and offender accountability.

This grant does not require a match contribution.

The Budget Department has reviewed this item, and all requisite documents have been submitted.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Grant Award: \$324,094.00. Funding period: September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2009.

**COOK COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY**

**ITEM #27**

**REFERRED TO THE LITIGATION SUBCOMMITTEE**

Transmitting a Communication, dated March 1, 2007 from

PATRICK T. DRISCOLL, JR., Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

respectfully request permission to discuss the following cases with the Board or the appropriate committee thereof:

1. Stephanie Nunez v. County of Cook, et al., Case No. 06-L-12112

**#285661**

2. Diane DeBoer v. County of Cook, et al., Case No. 05-L-14025

**#285662**

3. Leroy Little v. County of Cook, et al., Case No. 05-L-5392

**#285663**

4. Lewis Nafeesah v. County of Cook, operating as Cook and Fantus Clinic, Case No. 06-L-7296

**#285664**

**COOK COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY continued**

**ITEM #27 cont'd**

5. Steven Szczepanski v. County of Cook, Case No. 05-L-9998

**#285665**

6. Mohammed Safi, Administrator of the Estate of Leen Al Haj Eid, Deceased, Ashraf Haj Eid and Mashaal Haj Eid v. County of Cook, et al., Case No. 05-L-629

**#285666**

7. Alicia Hillard v. County of Cook, et al., Case No. 06-L-2153

**#285667**

8. Tomeka Melton, Individually and as Special Administrator of the Estate of Michael J. Young, Deceased v. County of Cook, et al., Case No. 05-L-2938

**#285668**

9. Demarco Robinson v. Ghassan D. Aswad, Mamie Barrow, M.D., and County of Cook, Case No. 06-L-4916

**#285669**

10. Betty Hall v. County of Cook, et al., Case No. 06-L-12983

**#285670**

11. Kensington v. Cook County Treasurer, Case No. 05-CH-22170

**#285671**

**PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE**

**ITEM #28**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication from

THOMAS J. DART, Sheriff of Cook County

by

THOMAS K. DONAHUE, Executive Director, Chicago HIDTA

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for the lease of 200 vehicles, including maintenance, insurance and fuel program for the Chicago HIDTA Initiatives.

Contract period: June 1, 2007 through May 31, 2009. (655-634 Account). Requisition No. 76550301.

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2007 and future year funds.

The Vehicle Steering Committee concurs with this recommendation.

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**PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE continued**

**ITEM #29**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication from

SIDNEY A. THOMAS, Chief Operating Officer, Provident Hospital of Cook County

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for the purchase of radiology film jackets.

Contract period: July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. (891-367 Account). Requisition No. 78910070.

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2007 and future year funds.

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**ITEM #30**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication from

SIDNEY A. THOMAS, Chief Operating Officer, Provident Hospital of Cook County

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for maintenance and repair of the Hugs Abduction Prevention system, intercom and nurse call/paging systems.

Contract period: December 21, 2007 through December 20, 2008. (891-450 Account). Requisition No. 78910070.

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2007 and future year funds.

**REQUEST TO AMEND A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ADVERTISE FOR BID**

**ITEM #31**

**APPROVED AS AMENDED**

Transmitting a Communication from

SANDRA ANKEBRANT, Chief Operating Officer,  
Ambulatory and Community Health Network of Cook County

requesting to amend a previously approved permission to advertise for bids for the following item which was approved at the July 12, 2006 Board meeting. The underscored and stricken language indicate the amendment. (See related Agenda Items #37 and 38).

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for janitorial services for six nine ~~ten~~ (9) Ambulatory and Community Health Network of Cook County sites.

Contract period: ~~December 1, 2006 through November 30, 2008~~ July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009. (893-235 Account). Requisition No. 78932506.

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2007 and future year funds.

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**ITEM #32**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND AUTOMATION #285672**

Transmitting a Communication from

CATHERINE MARAS O'LEARY, Chief Information Officer,  
Bureau of Information Technology and Automation

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Iron Mountain, Itasca, Illinois, for off-site storage of computer media countywide.

Reason: Through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, Iron Mountain provided the lowest cost solution that met with all of the County's main requirements, such as use of metal containers, support of electronic data transmittal, and depth of coverage facilities, for the protection of the company records.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$210,000.00. One time purchase. (490-441 Account). Requisition No. 74900002.

**CONTRACTS**

**ITEM #33**

**WITHDRAWN**

Transmitting a Communication from

CATHERINE MARAS O'LEARY, Chief Information Officer,  
Bureau of Information Technology and Automation

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Sentinel Technologies, Inc., Downers Grove, Illinois, to provide technical, consulting, management and staffing services for the Cook County wide area network (WAN). The Cook County WAN is the second largest WAN in the State of Illinois, and is relied upon by Cook County agencies and now for the Homeland Security Interoperability Wireless initiative. The increasing number and complexity of computer applications that run on the WAN make WAN up-time and security critical concerns.

Reason: Sentinel Technologies, Inc. has met and exceeded the County's requirements and is uniquely qualified to maintain this service level to the County.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$1,775,000.00 (Year 1: \$875,000.00; and Year 2: \$900,000.00). Contract period: May 5, 2007 through April 30, 2009. (490-220 Account). Requisition No. 74900001.

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2007 and future year funds.

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**ITEM #34**

**APPROVED AS AMENDED**

Transmitting a Communication from

ROBERT R. SIMON, M.D., Interim Chief, Bureau of Health Services

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Health Management Associates ("HMA"), Chicago, Illinois, in order to provide consulting services and strategic counsel to the Cook County Bureau of Health Services ("CCBHS").

**CONTRACTS continued**

**ITEM #34 cont'd**

Health Management Associates specializes in complex healthcare program and policy issues and will work with the Bureau of Health to provide immediate specific action steps that will contribute to the financial stabilization of the Bureau of Health Services. HMA will perform an internal review at the CCBHS in order to determine if the CCBHS is tapping into all appropriate revenue sources; identify revenue stabilization and care coordination opportunities with the State, including review of the Intergovernmental Transfer Agreement and identify federal revenue stabilization opportunities.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$275,000.00. Contract period: April 3, 2007 through April 2, 2008. (899-260 Account). Requisition No. 78900449 78990449.

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2007 funds and future year funds.

**CONTRACT ADDENDUM**

**ITEM #35**

**APPROVED**

Commissioner Maldonado, seconded by Commissioner Moreno, moved that the County Purchasing Agent be authorized to increase and extend the requested contract.

Following discussion, Commissioner Peraica, seconded by Commissioner Claypool, moved to refer the proposed contract addendum to the Committee on Finance. Commissioner Peraica called for a Roll Call, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

**ROLL CALL ON MOTION TO REFER TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Yea: Claypool, Gorman, Peraica, Schneider, Silvestri - 5.

Nay: Beavers, Butler, Collins, Daley, Goslin, Maldonado, Moreno, Murphy, Quigley, Sims, Steele, Suffredin - 12.

**The motion to refer FAILED.**

Returning to the main motion, Commissioner Maldonado, seconded by Commissioner Moreno, moved that the County Purchasing Agent be authorized to increase and extend the requested contract. **The motion carried.**

**Commissioners Peraica and Schneider voted "no".**

Transmitting a Communication, dated March 2, 2007 from

DONNA L. DUNNINGS, Interim Chief Financial Officer, Bureau of Finance

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to increase and extend for one year, Contract No. 03-41-278 with Deloitte & Touche, Chicago, Illinois, Contract No. 03-41-357 with Ernst & Young, Chicago, Illinois, and Contract No. 03-41-277 with Washington, Pittman & McKeever, Chicago, Illinois, to perform the County's fiscal year 2006 audit.

On November 7, 2002 the Cook County Board of Commissioners authorized the Purchasing Agent to enter into three-year contracts with Deloitte & Touche to audit the County's annual financial statements included in the County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR); Ernst & Young to audit the financial statements included in the Health Facilities Report and the Clerk of the Circuit Court Agency Fund; and Washington, Pittman & McKeever to audit the schedule of federal financial assistance included in the Single Audit Report. The contract was for the County's annual audit for fiscal years 2002 through 2004, subject to an annual review and at the sole option of the County Board, with the possibility of renewal for subsequent years.

The maximum fee for the FY2006 audit is \$1,180,882.00 to be allocated as follows: Deloitte & Touche - \$712,000.00, Ernst & Young - \$326,050.00, and Washington, Pittman & McKeever - \$142,175.00.

**CONTRACT ADDENDUM continued**

**ITEM #35 cont'd**

**PROFESSIONAL AUDITING SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006**

	<b><u>Maximum Fee</u></b>	<b><u>Account</u></b>
<b>Deloitte &amp; Touche</b>	\$316,420.00	490-265
	<u>396,237.00</u>	499-265
	\$712,657.00	
<b>Ernst &amp; Young</b>	\$222,650.00	899-265
	<u>103,400.00</u>	499-265
	\$326,050.00	
<b>Washington, Pittman &amp; McKeever</b>	\$ 37,960.00	490-265
	47,345.00	499-265
	<u>56,870.00</u>	899-265
	\$142,175.00	

**CONTRACT ADDENDA**

**ITEM #36**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication from

DAVID W. FOLEY, Executive Director, Office of the Medical Examiner

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to extend for four (4) months, Contract No. 05-85-245 Rebid with Gamma Photo Labs, LLC, Chicago, Illinois, for film processing services.

Reason: An extension in the time period of this contract is needed to allow the rebid process to be finalized and reviewed. The bids were opened on February 22, 2007. The expiration date of the current contract was December 20, 2006.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Contract extension: December 21, 2006 through April 20, 2007.

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**ITEM #37**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication from

SANDRA ANKEBRANT, Chief Operating Officer,  
Ambulatory and Community Health Network of Cook County

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to increase by \$39,300.00 and extend for three (3) months, Contract No. 05-53-426 with Chicago Contract Cleaning & Supply Company, Chicago, Illinois, for janitorial services. (See related Agenda Items #31 and 38).

Board approved amount 09-08-05:	\$235,800.00
Increase requested:	<u>39,300.00</u>
Adjusted amount:	\$275,100.00

Reason: This request is to consolidate janitorial contracts covering a total of nine (9) clinics in order to generate more competitive pricing. The expiration date of the current contracts is March 31, 2007.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$39,300.00. Contract extension: April 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007. (893-235 Account).

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**CONTRACT ADDENDA continued**

**ITEM #38**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication from

SANDRA ANKEBRANT, Chief Operating Officer,  
Ambulatory and Community Health Network of Cook County

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to increase by \$89,098.40 and extend for four (4) months, Contract No. 04-53-745 with Total Facility Maintenance, Wood Dale, Illinois, for janitorial services. (See related Agenda Items #31 and 37).

Board approved amount 12-01-04:	\$542,449.43
Increase requested:	<u>89,098.40</u>
Adjusted amount:	\$631,547.83

Reason: This request is to consolidate janitorial contracts covering a total of nine (9) clinics in order to generate more competitive pricing. The expiration date of the current contract was February 28, 2007.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$89,098.40. Contract extension: March 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007. (893-235 Account).

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**ITEM #39**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication from

ROBERT R. SIMON, M.D., Interim Chief, Bureau of Health Services

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to extend for three (3) months, Contract No. 05-15-482H with Corporate Express, Chicago, Illinois, for the purchase of office supplies.

Reason: This request is necessary to allow sufficient time for the bidding, evaluation, award and implementation of the new county-wide office supply contract. The expiration date of the current contract is March 31, 2007.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Contract extension: April 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007.

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**ITEM #40**

**APPROVED**

**COMMISSIONER PERAICA VOTED "NO".  
COMMISSIONER SUFFREDIN VOTED "PRESENT".**

Transmitting a Communication from

ROBERT R. SIMON, M.D., Interim Chief, Bureau of Health Services

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to extend for three (3) months, Contract No. 04-72-290 with Quest Diagnostics, LLC, Wood Dale, Illinois, for reference laboratory testing services for special assay tests for inpatient care not performed in the hospital.

Reason: This request is necessary to allow sufficient time for the bidding, evaluation, award and implementation of the new contract for which bids are scheduled to be opened on April 5, 2007. The expiration date of the current contract is March 22, 2007.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Contract extension: March 23, 2007 through June 22, 2007.

**CAPITAL PROGRAM ITEMS**

**ITEM #41**

**APPROVED**

**COMMISSIONER PERAICA VOTED "NO".**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 22, 2007 from

BRUCE WASHINGTON, Director, Office of Capital Planning and Policy

Transmitted herewith for your approval is a request for authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for Design/Build Services for the Cook County Department of Public Health Homeland Security Vehicle Storage Facility at Oak Forest Hospital of Cook County. It is respectfully requested that this Honorable Body approve this request.

Reason: This project will provide for the construction of a 6,400 square foot pre-engineered vehicle storage facility to be used for the storage and maintenance of bioterrorism response vehicles that were approved for purchase by the Board of Commissioners on June 21, 2005 and paid for with funding received by the Department of Public Health under the Federal Homeland Security Act. The new facility will include power receptacles for recharging on board systems, vehicle maintenance document storage, storage room(s) for restocking the vehicles in emergency situations, and all necessary access roads.

This storage facility is necessary to adequately protect these highly sophisticated vehicles. Design build funding of \$1,000,000.00 has been provided for by grants in the Department of Public Health – Health Fund.

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**ITEM #42**

**APPROVED AS AMENDED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 22, 2007 from

BRUCE WASHINGTON, Director, Office of Capital Planning and Policy

Transmitted herewith for your approval is Change Order No. 2 to the contract with Castle Construction Corporation, Contractor for the Provident Hospital Emergency Department Renovation/Expansion and New Pharmacy Addition Project. It is respectfully requested that this Honorable Body approve this request.

Reason: This change order provides for a sixty-seven (67) day time extension to the contract that is required due to delays by ComEd in providing permanent power supply to the new facility. As a result of these delays, testing and purging of the new HVAC system had to be postponed until a time when less inclement weather could be predicted. ~~The revised contract period for this work is January 9, 2006 through April 23, 2007.~~

Contract No. 05-53-404

Original Contract Sum:	\$3,630,000.00
Total Changes to-date:	<u>117,785.39</u>
Adjusted Contract to-date:	\$3,747,785.39
Amount of this Modification:	<u>0.00</u>
Adjusted Contract Sum:	\$3,747,785.39

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Contract extension: ~~January 9, 2006 through April 23, 2007 67 days.~~

**REAL ESTATE MATTERS**

**ITEM #43**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 26, 2007 from

RAYMOND MULDOON, Director, Real Estate Management Division

requesting approval of a Lease Agreement covering the lease of space at 2548 East 79th Street, Chicago, Illinois, for the use of Commissioner William M. Beavers 4th District field office. The legal and budgetary requirements are met in accordance with the Cook County Board, relating to district offices. Details are:

Landlord:	Kahmis (Chris) Imsaih
Tenant:	County of Cook
Location:	for the use of Commissioner William M. Beavers
	2548 East 79th Street, Chicago, Illinois 60649
Term:	01/01/07 to 11/30/10
Space Occupied:	1,000 square feet

**Rent**

Monthly:	\$1,000.00
Annual:	\$12,000.00
Rate per square foot:	\$12.00

Approval recommended.

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**ITEM #44**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 26, 2007 from

RAYMOND MULDOON, Director, Real Estate Management Division

requesting approval of a First Amendment to Lease covering the lease of space at 5405 West 127th Street, Crestwood, Illinois, for the use of Commissioner Joan Patricia Murphy's 6th District field office. The legal and budgetary requirements are met in accordance with the Cook County Board ordinances, relating to district offices. Details are:

Landlord:	Playfield Plaza Development, LLC
Tenant:	County of Cook
Location:	for the use of Commissioner Joan Patricia Murphy
	5405 West 127th Street, Unit "B", Crestwood, Illinois 60445
Term:	12/01/06 to 11/30/10
Space Occupied:	1,360 square feet

**Rent**

Monthly:	\$1,300.00
Annual:	\$15,600.00
Rate per square foot:	\$11.47

Monthly Utility allowance: \$360.00

Landlord's utility allowance shall not exceed \$4,320.00 per year.

Approval recommended.

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**REAL ESTATE MATTERS continued**

**ITEM #45**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 26, 2007 from

RAYMOND MULDOON, Director, Real Estate Management Division

requesting approval of a Second Amendment to Sublease covering the lease of space at 3801 West Lake Avenue, Office #103, Glenview, Illinois, for the use of Commissioner Gregg Goslin's 14th District field office. The legal and budgetary requirements are met in accordance with the Cook County Board ordinances, relating to district offices. Details are:

Landlord:	Township of Northfield
Tenant:	County of Cook
Location:	for the use of Commissioner Gregg Goslin
Term:	3801 West Lake Avenue, Suite #103, Glenview, Illinois 60025
Space Occupied:	12/01/06 to 08/31/09
	117 square feet

**Rent**

Monthly:	\$300.00
Annual:	\$3,600.00
Rate per square foot:	\$30.77

Rent inclusive of utilities.

Approval recommended.

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**ITEM #46**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 26, 2007 from

RAYMOND MULDOON, Director, Real Estate Management Division

requesting approval of a First Amendment to Lease covering the lease of space at 16033 South 94th Avenue, Orland Hills, Illinois, for the use of Commissioner Elizabeth "Liz" Doody Gorman's 17th District field office. The legal and budgetary requirements are met in accordance with the Cook County Board ordinances, relating to district offices. Details are:

Landlord:	Village of Orland Hills
Tenant:	County of Cook
Location:	for the use of Commissioner Elizabeth "Liz" Doody Gorman
Term:	16033 South 94th Avenue, Orland Hills, Illinois 60477
Space Occupied:	12/01/06 to 11/30/10
	Approximately 150 square feet

**Rent**

Annual:	\$10.00
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Rent inclusive of utilities.

Approval recommended.

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**REAL ESTATE MATTERS continued**

**ITEM #47**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 26, 2007 from

RAYMOND MULDOON, Director, Real Estate Management Division

requesting approval of a Second Amendment to Lease covering the lease of space at 1057 West Belmont Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, for the use of Commissioner Mike Quigley's 10th District field office. The legal and budgetary requirements are met in accordance with the Cook County Board ordinances, relating to district offices. Details are:

Landlord:	Buc-Sem, LLC
Tenant:	County of Cook
	for the use of Commissioner Mike Quigley
Location:	1057 West Belmont Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60657
Term:	12/01/06 to 11/30/07
Space Occupied:	2,040 square feet

**Rent**

Monthly:	\$1,400.00
Annual:	\$16,800.00
Rate per square foot:	\$8.23

Approval recommended.

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**ITEM #48**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 26, 2007 from

RAYMOND MULDOON, Director, Real Estate Management Division

requesting approval of a Third Amendment to Lease covering the lease of space at 2615 West Division Street, Chicago, Illinois, for the use of Commissioner Roberto Maldonado's 8th District field office. The legal and budgetary requirements are met in accordance with the Cook County Board ordinances, relating to district offices. Details are:

Landlord:	Nelson & Martha Gines
Tenant:	County of Cook
	for the use of Commissioner Roberto Maldonado
Location:	2615 West Division Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60602
Term:	12/01/06 to 11/30/10
Space Occupied:	1,495 square feet

**Rent**

Monthly:	\$1,300.00
Annual:	\$15,600.00
Rate per Square Foot:	\$10.43

Monthly utility allowance: \$340.00

Landlord's utility allowance shall not exceed \$4,080.00 per year.

Approval recommended.

**BID OPENING - COMMISSIONER STEELE**

**ITEM #49**

**REFERRED TO RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS FOR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION**

Submitting for your consideration, bids which were opened under his supervision on Wednesday, March 7, 2007 at 10:00 A.M., in the County Building, Chicago, Illinois.

**COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT**

**ITEM #50**

**APPROVED**

**COMMISSIONERS CLAYPOOL VOTED "NO" ON CONTRACT 07-53-52 WITH STAR DETECTIVE & SECURITY AGENCY.**

**COMMISSIONERS MALDONADO VOTED "NO" ON CONTRACT 07-53-52 WITH STAR DETECTIVE & SECURITY AGENCY.**

**COMMISSIONER MORENO VOTED "PRESENT" ON CONTRACT NO. 07-42-91 WITH PRO-HEALTH ADVOCATES, INC.**

**COMMISSIONERS PERAICA VOTED "NO" ON CONTRACT 07-53-52 WITH STAR DETECTIVE & SECURITY AGENCY.**

**COMMISSIONER SUFFREDIN VOTED "PRESENT" ON CONTRACT NO. 07-42-128 WITH ABBOTT LABORATORIES, INC.**

Transmitting contracts and bonds executed by the contractors for approval and execution as requested by the Purchasing Agent.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT MATTERS**

**PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE**

**ITEM #51**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication from

RUPERT F. GRAHAM, JR., P.E., Acting Superintendent of Highways

The following projects are presented to your Honorable Body for adoption and authorization for advertising for bids after all appropriate approvals of the plans, specifications, proposals and the estimates have been obtained for receipt of Contractor's bids:

<b><u>LOCATION</u></b>	<b><u>TYPE</u></b>	<b><u>SECTION NUMBER</u></b>
Lake-Cook Road, Hicks Road to Arlington Heights Road (Villages of Arlington Heights, Long Grove and Palatine in County Board District #14)	Patch or replace concrete pavement	07-A5011-07-RP
Lake-Cook Road, Arlington Heights Road to Lexington Drive (Villages of Buffalo Grove and Wheeling in County Board District #14)	Patch or replace concrete pavement and diamond grinding	07-A5014-07-RP

I respectfully request that your Honorable Body concur in this recommendation (600-600 Account).

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT MATTERS continued**  
**AMENDMENT TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**ITEM #52**

**APPROVED**

Submitting for your approval ONE (1) AMENDMENT TO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT/RESOLUTION:

1. Amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Cook and the Village of East Hazel Crest  
171st Street,  
Wood Street to Ashland Avenue  
in the Village of East Hazel Crest in County Board District #5  
Section: 04-B8431-08-PV  
Centerline Mileage: 0.41 miles  
Fiscal Impact: (\$298,271.00 - Deduction) from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund (600-600 Account)

Previously, your Honorable Body approved an Intergovernmental Agreement on July 12, 2006, wherein the Agreement identified certain funding contributions, including from Federal sources, secured by the Village, and cost responsibilities, including by the County. This amendment reflects additional Federal funding in the amount of \$393,571.00 secured by the village and allocated toward the County's improvement construction costs. In consideration of said additional funding, the Village is relieved of any cost obligations to the County for water main and commuter lot construction that are included as part of the County's improvements. The County's share of construction costs is reduced from an estimated \$3,820,000.00 to reflect said additional federal funding (\$393,571.00 less previous Village costs of \$95,300.00) to an estimated net County cost of \$3,521,729.00.

**IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTIONS**

**ITEM #53**

**APPROVED**

Submitting for your approval TWO (2) IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTIONS:

1. Motor Fuel Tax Project  
Improvement Resolution  
Full depth concrete patching of the existing pavement where it has shown signs of failure, etc.  
Lake-Cook Road,  
Arlington Heights Road to Lexington Drive  
in the Villages of Buffalo Grove and Wheeling in County Board District #14  
Section: 07-A5014-07-RP  
Centerline Mileage: 2.19 miles  
Fiscal Impact: \$900,000.00 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund (600-600 Account)
2. Motor Fuel Tax Project  
Improvement Resolution  
Full depth concrete patching of the existing pavement where it has shown signs of failure, etc.  
Lake-Cook Road,  
Hicks Road to Arlington Heights Road  
in the Villages of Arlington Heights, Long Grove and Palatine in County Board District #14  
Section: 07-A5011-07-RP  
Centerline Mileage: 2.24 miles  
Fiscal Impact: \$3,300,000.00 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund (600-600 Account)

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT MATTERS continued**  
**CHANGES IN PLANS AND EXTRA WORK**

**ITEM #54**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES**

Submitting five (5) changes in plans and extra work:

1. Section: 94-B3719-04-FP. Plainfield Road, Cook-DuPage Road to Willow Springs Road in the City of Palos Hills in County Board Districts #16 and 17. Final adjustment of quantities and new item. \$31,855.65 (Addition).

**#285673**

2. Section: 03-B8336-03-FP. Michigan City Road, 154th Street to Indiana State Line in Calumet City in County Board District #4. Adjustment of quantities and new items. \$55,905.17 (Deduction).

**#285674**

3. Section: 92-W1918-01-RS. Cook-DuPage Road, 91st Street to 79th Street in the Village of Burr Ridge in County Board District #17. Adjustment of quantities and new items. \$62,165.78 (Deduction).

**#285675**

4. Section: 01-B7528-05-PV. 123rd Street, Cicero Avenue to Kedzie Avenue in the Village of Alsip in County Board District #6. Adjustment of quantities and new items. \$17,516.53 (Addition).

**#285676**

5. Section: 06-8SPAM-27-GM. Sign Panel Assembly Maintenance - 2006. Final adjustment of quantities. \$114,256.48 (Deduction).

**#285677**

**REPORTS**

**ITEM #55**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES #285678**

Submitting the Bureau of Construction's Progress Report for the month ending December 31, 2006.

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**ITEM #56**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES #285679**

Submitting the Bureau of Construction's Progress Report for the month ending January 31, 2007.

**HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAMS**

**ITEM #57**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 26, 2007 from

PETER C. NICHOLSON, Director, Department of Planning and Development

Re: HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME Program)

respectfully request approval of a HOME Investment Partnerships Program loan to be used for the rehabilitation of approximately seven (7) single-family homes for low- and very-low income households in the City of Berwyn in County Board District #16. The project complies with the HOME Program regulations and furthers the goals of the Five-Year Consolidated Community Development Plan approved by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The HOME Program loan of \$300,000.00 will be made between the City of Berwyn and the County of Cook. Approval of this loan will enable the City of Berwyn to expand their current Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funded Owner-Occupied Single-Family Rehabilitation Program.

Permanent liens are placed on the properties for the amount of the rehabilitation by the Village. After rehabilitation is completed, the City of Berwyn then assigns the note, owner's participation agreement, and junior mortgage to Cook County. The Cook County HOME Program will recapture funds expended on the projects when these homes are sold, transferred, or otherwise alienated and title is transferred.

I respectfully request approval of this project, and that the Chief Administrative Officer of the County of Cook, or his designee, be authorized to execute on behalf of the County of Cook, any and all documents necessary to further the project approved herein, including, but not limited to the Subgrantee Agreement and any modifications thereto. The necessary documents will be reviewed and approved by the State's Attorney's Office. Approval of this grant by this Honorable Body will permit staff to move forward with this project.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Grant funded amount: \$300,000.00. (772-292 Account).

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**ITEM #58**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated March 1, 2007 from

PETER C. NICHOLSON, Director, Department of Planning and Development

Re: HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME Program)

respectfully request approval of a HOME Investment Partnerships Program Loan in the amount of \$3,250,000.00, to Holsten Development Company, Inc. and the Cook County Housing Development Corporation d/b/a Turnstone Development for the redevelopment of the Pacesetter Neighborhood located in the Village of Riverdale in County Board District #5. In addition to the HOME funds, other anticipated financing includes a private first mortgage, proceeds from the Village of Riverdale, Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District, a low interest loan from the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA), a grant from the Federal Home Loan Bank, Affordable Housing Program (AHP), a HUD Economic Development Initiative Grant, grant funding from the State of Illinois, a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) award, equity raised through the sale of Low Income Housing Tax Credits and Historic Preservation Tax Credits and deferred fees to the developer. The development budget is projected to be \$40,312,361.00 of which \$3,250,000.00 accounts for 8% of the total project costs.

**HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAMS continued**

**ITEM #58 cont'd**

The terms of the HOME Program loan will be structured as a 40-year interest-only loan that is deferred from the first year to the fifth year and 1% interest only payments from the beginning of the sixth until year forty, with a balloon payment due in year 40, the end of the County loan. Payments on the County loan will begin March 1, 2013 of interest only. Loan payments in the amount of \$2,708.00 will be due on a monthly basis and will be used for other HOME eligible activities.

I respectfully request approval of this project, and that the Chief Administrative Officer of the County of Cook, or his designee, be authorized to execute on behalf of the County of Cook, any and all documents necessary to further the project approved herein, including but not limited to the HOME Loan agreement and any modifications thereto. The approval of this loan by this Honorable Body will permit staff to issue necessary commitments to allow this project to move forward.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Grant funded amount: \$1,625,000.00. (772-298 Account). Program Income: \$1,625,000.00. (772-292 Account).

**PRESIDENT'S OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING**

**ITEM #59**

**APPROVED**

**COMMISSIONER PERAICA VOTED "NO".**

Transmitting a Communication from

KAREN S. CRAWFORD, Director, President's Office of Employment Training

requesting authorization to accept additional Workforce Investment Act (WIA) grant funds in the amount of \$ 2,095,558.00 from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (IDCEO).

The authorization to accept the original grant was given on October 17, 2006 by the Cook County Board of Commissioners in the amount of \$12,543,185.00.

Additionally, requesting approval to extend the Program Year 2005 Service Provider contracts through September 30, 2007, and to amend the Program Year 2006 subcontract awards with distribution based on revised funding availability. The revised funding distribution of the \$14,638,743.00 as follows:

<b><u>VENDOR</u></b>	<b><u>ORIGINAL AMOUNT</u></b>	<b><u>ADJUSTED AMOUNT</u></b>
Service Provider Allocations	\$ 8,190,191.00	\$ 9,133,280.15
Pilot Program Funding	-0-	860,000.00
POET One-Stop and Administrative Costs	4,352,994.00	4,420,462.85
Workforce Investment Board Funding	<u>-0-</u>	<u>225,000.00</u>
Program Year 2006 Totals	\$12,543,185.00	\$14,638,743.00

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None. Supplemental Grant Award: \$2,095,558.00. Funding period extension: July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2008.

**TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

**ITEM #60**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated March 1, 2007 from

FORREST CLAYPOOL, County Commissioner

I hereby request to transfer \$4,000.00 from Salaries and Wages of Regular Employees (018-110 Account) to Technical Services for Cook County Board of Commissioners (018-289 Account) to pay for the services of Ken Davis. Mr. Davis began February 1, 2007 and will continue until March 16, 2007.

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**TRANSFER OF FUNDS continued**

**ITEM #61**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated March 12, 2007 from

LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioner

I hereby request to transfer \$1,200.00 from Office Supplies (018-110 Account) to Rental of Facilities (018-660 Account) and \$600.00 from Office Supplies (018-110 Account) to Utilities (018-429 Account).

**NEW SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT**

**ITEM #62**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE #285680**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 26, 2007 from

THOMAS J. DART, Sheriff of Cook County  
by  
JACK KELLY, Chief Financial Officer

requesting permission to establish a new special revenue account for the Sheriff's Police Narcotics Enforcement Program in the amount of \$1,465,188.83 for salaries/benefits for twenty (20) police officers.

The Sheriff's Department mission is to maximize law enforcement effectiveness on drug trafficking by identifying, targeting, disrupting and dismantling illicit drug trafficking organizations in suburban Cook County. The program would use funds from the Asset Forfeiture Account in accordance with Asset Forfeiture Statute 720 ILCS 550/12 and will be a reoccurring expense.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

**ITEM #63**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON CONTRACT COMPLIANCE #285681**

Transmitting a Communication, dated March 13, 2007 from

ROBERTO MALDONADO, County Commissioner

I am submitting the following ordinance entitled, "Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity Ordinance," for the Main Agenda of the March 20, 2007 Cook County Board meeting. I will request that this item be referred to the appropriate committee for further review and discussion.

Prior to the massive layoffs of Cook County employees as a result of the FY2007 Budget, both a preliminary statistical analysis known as the "Cook County Employee Diversity Representation Report," and a subsequent four year retroactive analysis of the County's work force (submitted for your review), demonstrated a striking disparity in minority hiring among many of Cook County's public offices. The layoff of thousands of employees may have further eroded any slight improvements the County has made recently in attempting to balance the diversity of the workforce.

As County government moves forward in restructuring its workforce, it is crucial that the County take affirmative action consistent with law with respect to the hiring, retention and promotion of persons who have historically been discriminated against because of race, ethnicity, and gender to prevent and eliminate discrimination and to balance the County's work force. To achieve this end, it is necessary for the County to codify the affirmative action policy and procedure of the County and to give such policy and procedure the full force of the County's lawmaking powers.

Submitting a Proposed Ordinance sponsored by

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE continued**

**ITEM #63 cont'd**

ROBERTO MALDONADO, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

DEBORAH SIMS, County Commissioner

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY ORDINANCE**

**PREAMBLE**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Cook, Illinois is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 (a) of the 1970 Illinois Constitution, and pursuant to the authority therein granted may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, equal employment opportunity is the law of the land, pursuant to Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, codified at 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*; and

**WHEREAS**, the policy of the County is to provide equal employment opportunities for persons from all segments of the County community without regard to race, color, sex, age, religion, disability, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, marital status, parental status, military discharge status, source of income, housing, or any other protected category established by law, statute or ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Equal Employment Opportunity Coordinating Council's Policy Statement on Affirmative Action, 41 C.F.R. § 60-3.17, notes in pertinent part: "On the one hand, vigorous enforcement of the laws against discrimination is essential. But equally, and perhaps even more important are affirmative voluntary efforts on the part of public employers to assure that positions in the public service are genuinely and equally accessible to qualified persons, without regard to their sex, racial, or ethnic characteristics. Without such efforts equal employment is no more than a wish;" and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Bureau of Human Resources currently operates in accordance with the policy known as the "Cook County Equal Employment Opportunity Plan" for offices under the President; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners desires to codify this affirmative action policy and procedure and to give such policy and procedure the full force of the County's lawmaking powers; and

**WHEREAS**, the first step in the construction of any affirmative action plan is an analysis of the employer's work force to determine whether percentages of persons within race, ethnic, gender, or sexual orientation groups in individual job classifications are substantially similar to the percentages persons within those groups who are available in the relevant job market and who possess the basic job-related qualifications; and

**WHEREAS**, when substantial disparities are found, the next step is to examine each element of the overall selection process to identify elements which operate to exclude persons on the basis of race, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation; and

**WHEREAS**, both a preliminary statistical analysis known as the "Cook County Employee Diversity Representation Report," and a subsequent four year retroactive analysis of the County's work force, substantiate a striking disparity in minority hiring among many of Cook County's public offices.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE continued**

**ITEM #63 cont'd**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:**

1. Title.
2. Policy and Purpose.
3. Definitions.
4. Administration.
5. Cook County Commission on Human Rights.
6. Duties of the Equal Employment Opportunity Officer(s).
7. Duties of Department Heads.
8. Elected Officials.
9. Employee Conduct.
10. Board of Commissioners.
11. Duties of the Chief of Human Resources.
12. Complaints of Discrimination.
13. Construction of Ordinance.
14. Conflict with Other Ordinance Provisions.
15. Effective Date.

**Section 1. Title.**

This Ordinance shall be known as the "Cook County Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity Ordinance" and may be cited as such.

**Section 2. Policy and Purpose.**

- (a) The purpose of this ordinance is to codify the affirmative action policy and procedure of the County and to give such policy and procedure the full force of the County's lawmaking powers.
- (b) The policy of the County is to provide equal employment opportunities for persons from all segments of the County community without regard to race, color, sex, age, religion, disability, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, marital status, parental status, military discharge status, source of income housing, or any other protected category established by law, statute or ordinance.
- (c) To assist in promoting equal employment opportunities, it is the policy of the County to take affirmative action consistent with law with respect to the hiring, retention and promotion of persons who have historically been discriminated against because of race, ethnicity, and gender to prevent and eliminate discrimination and to balance the County's work force.

**Section 3. Definitions.**

As used in this ordinance, the following words have the definitions indicated:

- (a) *Agency* shall mean all departments, commissions, boards and other structural divisions of county government, excluding the offices of separately Elected Officials.
- (b) *Affirmative action* means specific actions in employment which are designed and taken for the purposes of ensuring equal opportunities; identifying and eliminating practices that result in discrimination which produces a substantial disparity between the proportion of qualified members of racial, ethnic, gender, or sexual orientation groups in job groups within county employment, and the proportion of members of racial, ethnic, gender, or sexual orientation groups in the relevant labor pool. Affirmative and direct action is required to make equal employment and promotional opportunities a reality and to correct the effects of past patterns of inequality. The term includes:
  - (1) enhanced recruitment efforts;
  - (2) education of all personnel as to prohibited bases of discrimination; and
  - (3) other action designed to promote employment opportunities for, and increase the retention of, persons historically under-represented in the County's workforce.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE continued**

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- (c) *Board* shall mean the Cook County Board of Commissioners, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.
- (d) *Commission* shall mean the Cook County Commission on Human Rights, as established by Cook County Ord. No. 93-O-13, as amended.
- (e) *EEOP officer* shall mean the person designated by the President to serve as the Equal Employment Opportunity Officer for the offices and departments under the authority of the President.
- (f) *Elected Official* shall mean any official, other than the President, who holds county-wide elective office, including the Assessor, the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court, the Clerk of the Circuit Court, the Commissioners of the Board of Review, the County Clerk, the Recorder of Deeds, the Sheriff, the State's Attorney and the Treasurer.
- (g) *Employee* shall mean any employee of the County departments and agencies under the authority of the President.
- (h) *President* shall mean the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners.
- (i) *Protected groups* shall include all persons having origins in any of the black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin; Hispanics or all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American culture or origin, regardless of race; Asian or Pacific Islander, all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands; American Indian or Alaskan Native; and females.
  - (1) As used in this subsection (i), American Indian means a person who is enrolled as a member of a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band or who possesses documentation of at least one-fourth American Indian ancestry or documentation of tribal recognition as an American Indian.

**Section 4. Administration.**

- (a) The Commission shall act as the supervising body for the administration of this ordinance.
- (b) The EEOP officer(s) shall administer the provisions of this ordinance on a daily basis.

**Section 5. Duties of the Commission.**

The Commission's duties and responsibilities to administer this ordinance shall be to:

- (a) At the Commission's first meeting in December of each year, review and, if deemed advisable by the Commission, make recommendations for modification of the affirmative action goals and associated timetables for the new fiscal year. After review, the Commission may inform the President and Elected Officials of any recommendations for modifications.
- (b) Receive and review progress reports prepared by the EEOP officer(s) pursuant to Section 6 of this ordinance.
- (c) Provide the Board with information regarding all affirmative action matters which affect the County.
- (d) Recommend to the Board actions including, but not limited to, the consideration of ordinance amendments, as the Commission deems advisable or necessary to implement the County's affirmative action plan.

**Section 6. Duties of the Equal Employment Opportunity Officer(s).**

The EEOP officer's duties and responsibilities shall be to:

- (a) Develop, in cooperation with the President, the Commission and the heads of county agencies, goals and associated timetables for the affirmative action plan. Such goals and timetables are to be developed pursuant to federal guidelines found in part 60-2 and 60-3 of chapter 60 of Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, 41 C.F.R. Parts 60-2 & 60-3.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE continued**

**ITEM #63 cont'd**

- (b) Gather, review and analyze data which shall include, but not be limited to, the following information concerning the County's work force:
  - (1) Available job slots.
  - (2) Recruitment policies.
  - (3) Selection and replacement procedures.
  - (4) Testing procedures.
  - (5) Training programs.
  - (6) Promotional policies and procedures.
  - (7) Transfer policies.
  - (8) Compensation policies.
  - (9) Layoff, recall and termination policies.
  - (10) Procedure for disciplinary action.
  - (11) Availability of supportive programs.
- (c) File a written progress report with the Commission in December of each year which shall include, but not be limited to:
  - (1) The goals, timetables and date described in subsections (1) and (2) of this section;
  - (2) The progress which has been achieved in implementing the goals and timetables of the affirmative action plan;
  - (3) Totals of all persons hired, promoted, transferred, demoted, suspended, terminated, interviewed and/or rejected, indicating the number of such persons who are members of specific protected groups.
  - (4) A description of recruitment and training programs instituted to achieve the objectives of the affirmative action plan.
  - (5) A summary of supportive programs provided to resolve or prevent problems.
- (d) Be responsible for the implementation and coordination of the County's affirmative action plan.
- (e) Refer complaints of discrimination to the Commission pursuant to the Human Rights Ordinance, Cook County Ord. No. 93-O-13, as amended.
- (f) Supervise the preparation of all required state and federal affirmative action reports on County programs.
- (g) Coordinate affirmative action activities with county departments and agencies and with the Bureau of Human Resources in implementing the County's annual affirmative action plan goals and timetables.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE continued**

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**Section 7. Duties of Department Heads Under Authority of President.**

The duties and responsibilities of the heads of departments and agencies under authority of the President shall be to:

- (a) Carry out the provisions of the Human Resources Ordinance, Cook County Ord. No. 92-O-54, as amended, without regard to whether or not any certified applicant is a member of a protected group.
- (b) Develop and submit an annual departmental or agency affirmative action plan with recommended goals and associated timetables to the EEOP officer.
- (c) Work in coordination with the EEOP officer to monitor and attain affirmative action goals.
- (d) Submit semi-annual progress reports of affirmative action goal attainment to the EEOP officer.
- (e) Assist the Chief of Human Resources and the EEOP officer to promote the attainment of affirmative action goals.
- (f) With the assistance of the EEOP officer, administer those sections of the County's annual goals and timetables pertaining to the specific agencies.

**Section 8. Elected Officials.**

The duties and responsibilities of the Elected Officials shall be to:

- (a) Prepare and submit all reports concerning employee diversity as may be required under the laws of the State of Illinois or of the United States.
- (b) Appoint an EEOP officer, if determined appropriate by the Elected Official, with duties similar to those set forth with respect to the County's EEOP officer in Section 6 of this ordinance.
- (c) The Elected Official may elect to:
  - (1) Direct that Elected Official's EEOP officer to utilize the provisions of Section 7 of this ordinance, except that the Elected Official's Human Resources Department shall be substituted for the County's Bureau of Human Resources;
  - (2) Adopt the standards set forth in Section 9 of this ordinance for application within the Elected Official's office.
  - (3) Require the head of the Elected Official's Human Resources Department to perform the functions and follow the procedures set forth in Section 11 of this ordinance.

**Section 9. Conduct of County Employees Under the Authority of the President.**

An employee shall strive to maintain harmonious relations with other employees and to that end all employees should remain respectful of individual differences including differences based upon another employee's membership in a protected group. An employee's or supervisor's overt conduct to the contrary shall be grounds for disciplinary action (including, but not limited to, dismissal) pursuant to section 4 (13) of the Human Resources Ordinance, Cook County Ord. No. No. 92-O-54, as amended, and rules promulgated thereunder.

**Section 10. Board of Commissioners.**

The Board shall promote the goals of affirmative action to the fullest extent possible and shall consider such goals when approving board, committee and commission appointments of the President and when ratifying union contracts.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE continued**

**ITEM #63 cont'd**

**Section 11. Duties of the Chief of Bureau of Human Resources.**

The duties and responsibilities of the Chief of the Bureau of Human Resources pursuant to this ordinance shall be to:

- (a) Implement job recruitment programs and attempt to achieve the goals of the County's affirmative action plan.
- (b) Inform and seek support from representatives of protected groups of the County's affirmative action program.
- (c) Review testing, selection, recruitment, promotion and placement policies and practices to ensure compliance with the uniform guidelines on employee selection procedures found in Part 60-3 of Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, 41 C.F.R. Part 60-3.
- (d) Consistent with this ordinance, develop procedures to establish career ladders between non-management and management positions for county employees, with specific emphasis on those who are members of a protected group who may be qualified for promotion.
- (e) Use best efforts to comply with goals and timetables of the County's affirmative action program.
- (f) Inform the members of all oral examination boards of the affirmative action program and make every attempt to ensure that the composition of such boards includes members of protected groups.
- (g) Provide and maintain in its current employee rules and regulations a statement of the policy and purpose of the affirmative action plan.

**Section 12. Complaints of Discrimination.**

Complaints alleging discrimination shall be filed with the Commission pursuant to the Human Rights Ordinance, Cook County Ord. No. 93-O-13, as amended, or appropriate State or federal body, pursuant to applicable State or Federal law.

**Section 13. Construction of Ordinance.**

The provisions of this ordinance shall not be construed to create rights in any person. The ordinance shall not be construed to require enhanced employee recruitment efforts as part of the County's affirmative action goals to be undertaken with respect to other than race, ethnicity, and gender.

**Section 14. Conflict With Other Ordinance Provisions.**

The provisions of the ordinance shall prevail in the event portions of an affirmative action plan undertaken pursuant to this ordinance conflict with provisions in the Human Resources Ordinance, Cook County Ord. No. 92-O-54, as amended, the Rules promulgated there under, and the Human Rights Ordinance, Cook County Ord. No. 93-O-13, as amended.

**Section 15. Effective Date.**

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage.

**ORDINANCE**

**ITEM #64**

**APPROVED**

**COMMISSIONER PERAICA VOTED "NO".**

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, JOHN P. DALEY, GREGG GOSLIN,  
JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS and ROBERT B. STEELE,  
County Commissioners

**ORDINANCE**

**CREATING A COOK COUNTY EMPLOYEES AS  
ELECTION DAY WORKERS PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, conducting fair and impartial elections is one of the most important functions of government to insure confidence in and the integrity of the democratic process; and

**WHEREAS**, elections within Cook County, excluding that portion of those elections which is conducted within the City of Chicago, ("suburban elections") are the responsibility of the Cook County Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, suburban elections are conducted at polling places for each election precinct which are under the supervision of Election Judges appointed by the Cook County Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the federal Help America Vote Act ("HAVA"), the Cook County Clerk implemented new voting equipment ("System") beginning with the March 21, 2006 primary election; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2006, the County Board approved a pilot program to recruit, train and assign 100 employees working within Cook County government to serve as technical assistants for the March 21, 2006 primary and the November 7, 2006 General Election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clerk, the President and the Board view this Pilot Program as a cost effective and reliable solution to deploy trained Cook County employees to provide Election Day assistance on behalf of the Clerk on Election Day and now desire to implement this solution on a permanent basis.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners that Chapter 22, Section 22-1 is hereby enacted as follows:

**Sec. 22-1. Cook County Employees as Election Day Workers Program.**

**(a) Employees as Election Day Workers Program Established.** The County of Cook, in conjunction with the Cook County Clerk's Office and the President's Office and with the voluntary cooperation of the elected officials comprising County government, will continue the program to recruit, train and assign employees working within Cook County government to serve as equipment managers, election judges or other election day workers ("Election Day Workers") for elections conducted by the Office of the Cook County Clerk.

**(b) Compensation and Training of County Employees as Election Day Workers.** Cook County employees who qualify for, are selected and agree to participate as Election Day Workers must attend all required training prior to Election Day. If they successfully complete this training workshop, Election Day Workers shall be excused from their regular work assignment with the permission of the chief executive of their department, agency or bureau on Election Day to provide assistance in suburban Cook County. In addition to their regular salaries, these Election Day Workers will receive either overtime pay or a stipend payment, the amount of which shall depend on the specific work assignment, to compensate them for hours worked beyond a normal eight hour day for each suburban election worked. Such compensation shall be paid only from funds available to the Clerk of Cook County in funds 524-129 Seasonal Employees or 524-133 Per Diem Employees.

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**(c) Implementation.** The Cook County Clerk's Office, the President's Office and the Cook County elected officials who voluntarily participate in this Program shall enter into an interagency agreement setting forth the details of their participation in the Program for each election.

**(d) Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon passage by the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS**

**ITEM #65**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE #285682**

Submitting a Proposed Ordinance Amendment sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

Co-Sponsored by

WILLIAM M. BEAVERS and JOHN P. DALEY, County Commissioners

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners that Chapter 34, Article IV, Division 1, Sections 34-121 through 34-133; Division 2, Sections 34-151 through 34-156; Division 3, Sections 34-181 through 34-185; and Division 4, Sections 34-211 through 34-221, of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as follows:

**ARTICLE IV. PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTS**

**DIVISION 1. GENERALLY**

**Sec. 34-121. No delegation of power to act for expenditure exceeding \$25,000.00.**

~~The County Board shall have no power or authority to delegate to any committee or other person or persons the "power to act," when such "power to act" shall involve the letting of any contract or the expenditure of public money exceeding the sum of \$25,000.00 except in the following instances: the payment of public utility bills and the payment of rent, pursuant to the provisions of a lease previously approved by the County Board. Any action of the Board, or of any committee thereof, or of any other person or persons in violation of this section shall be null and void. No money shall be appropriated or ordered paid by the County Board, beyond the sum of \$25,000.00 unless such appropriation shall have been authorized by a vote of the majority of the members elected to the County Board. No officer of the County, or other person shall incur any indebtedness on behalf of the County, unless first authorized by the County Board.~~

**Sec. 34-121. Contracts for supplies, material and work.**

~~All contracts for supplies, materials and equipment and contractual services for the County of Cook shall be let as herein provided. All contracts for supplies, materials and equipment and contractual services for Cook County including the separately elected Officials which involve an expenditure of more than \$25,000 shall be approved by the Board of Commissioners and signed by the President of the Board, the County Purchasing Agent and the Comptroller. Supplies shall be issued only on the requisition of the responsible officers of the County institutions now or hereafter established by law, approved by the County Purchasing Agent.~~

**Sec. 34-122. Contracts for a period exceeding one year.**

~~(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of 55 ILCS 5/6-24008 (limitations on Cook County appropriations), the Purchasing Agent of the County, subject to the approval of the Board of Commissioners of the County, is hereby empowered and authorized to enter into contracts for the purchase of goods and services for a period to exceed one year or more.~~

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(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of 55 ILCS 5/6-24008 (limitations on Cook County appropriations), any such contract approved by the County Board and entered into by the County which is in excess of one year or more, shall be a valid and binding obligation of the County.

**Sec. 34-122. County Purchasing Agent.**

There shall be a County Purchasing Agent for the County of Cook who shall be appointed by the President by and with the consent of the Board of Commissioners. He or she shall hold office for one year and until his/her successor is appointed. No person shall be appointed County Purchasing Agent unless he/she has had at least three years experience in an executive capacity in the purchasing office of a private or public corporation whose purchases are reasonably comparable in size to those of the County of Cook. His or her salary shall be fixed by the Board of Commissioners. He/she shall give a bond for the due performance of his/her duties in an amount to be prescribed by the Board of Commissioners.

**Sec. 34-123. Living wage.**

(a) A living wage for services performed or produced shall be paid to lowest wage individuals employed by a person or business entity awarded a contract or subcontract with the County or by a for-profit person or business entity of an owner occupied property who receives or renews a Class 6b or Class 9 property tax incentive, except in applications or renewals of Class 9 property incentives for supportive living facilities as certified by the State Department of Public Aid, pursuant to Chapter 74, Article II, Division 2 of this Code, the County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

(b) The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

*Contract* means any written agreement requiring Board approval whereby the County is committed to expend or does expend funds in connection with any contract or subcontract which requires in the performance thereof the employment of any number of full time noncounty employees, including, but not limited to, the following classifications: cashier, clerical, custodial, day laborer, elevator operator, home and health care, laundry, leased employee, parking attendant, and security guard. The term "contract" shall not include contracts with not for profit organizations, community development block grants, President's Office of Employment Training, Sheriff's Work Alternative Program, or Department of Correction inmates.

*Contracting agency* means the County of Cook.

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*Not for profit organization* means a corporation having tax exempt status under Section 501(C)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code and recognized under State not for profit law.

*Property tax incentive* means a reduction in the assessment level as set forth in Chapter 74, Article II, Division 2 of this Code for Class 6b industrial property or Class 9 multifamily residential property.

*Supportive living facilities* mean programs which establish an alternative to nursing home care for low income older persons and persons with disabilities under Medicaid and certified by the State Department of Public Aid.

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(e) Every contract shall contain a provision or provisions stipulating that they are currently paying the living wage required to be paid to the employees listed under the definition of living wage set forth in this section and each such contract shall further contain provisions obligating the eligible contractor, or subcontractor of such eligible contractor, to pay its employees for work at not less than the living wage.

(d) Every for profit person or business entity of an owner occupied property who receives or renews a Class 6b or Class 9 property tax incentive, except as exempted herein for state certified supportive living facilities, shall provide an affidavit to the applicable County agency stipulating that such person or business entity is currently paying the living wage required to be paid to the employees listed under the definition of living wage set forth in this section.

(e) The Purchasing Agent shall require as part of the bidding and sole source procedure that any covered contractor provide the County certification of its compliance with this section.

(f) Any contract that violates the provisions contained in this section shall be subject to cancellation by the County Board.

(g) Any contractor disqualified from eligibility by the County Board shall be ineligible for two years following violation of this section.

(h) Annually, the County Assessor's Office shall review and analyze the property tax incentives program to determine whether the living wage program has resulted in less application for and utilization of the incentive classification. A report of this review shall be provided by the County Board.

(i) This section shall apply to contracts advertised for bid or if not advertised for bid, approved for sole source or to for profit persons or business entities of owner occupied properties who receive a Class 6b or Class 9 property tax incentive on or after January 1, 2005.

(j) This section shall not apply to any applications or renewal of a Class 9 tax incentive, as provided under Chapter 74, Article II, Division 2 of this Code, for supportive living facilities certified by the State Department of Public Aid.

(k) This section shall not apply to any contract with the County entered into prior to the effective date of the ordinance from which this section is derived.

**Sec. 34-123. Powers and duties of Purchasing Agent.**

The County Purchasing Agent shall, subject to the control and supervision of the President and Board of Commissioners, (a) purchase or contract for all supplies, materials and equipment, and contractual services required by any Office, department, institution or agency of the county government subject to the provisions, restrictions and limitations of this Division; (b) establish and enforce standard and non-standard specifications established in accordance with this Division which shall apply to all supplies, materials and equipment purchased for the use of any Office, department, institution or agency of the county government; (c) transfer to or between the various Offices, departments, institutions or agencies of the county government and trade in and sell supplies, materials and equipment which are surplus, obsolete or unusable; (d) have charge of such other purchasing activities as the Board of Commissioners may assign from time to time; (e) distribute or cause to be distributed to the various Offices, departments, institutions or agencies of the county government all supplies, materials and equipment purchased by the Office of the Purchasing Agent; (f) require all vendors to submit a notarized certification or affidavit of their compliance with all requirements imposed by this Division on forms promulgated by the Purchasing Agent, which shall include, but shall not be limited to: an affirmation that the vendor is a registered business in good standing with the State of Illinois and, in the case of a contractor operating under an assumed name, with the County Clerk, and an affirmation with respect to Section 34-131 of this Ordinance (Child Support), Section 34-130 of this Ordinance (Taxes and Fees) and Chapter 2, Article VII of the County Code (Ethics) including Section 2-574 (Receiving and soliciting gifts and favors) and Section 2-585 (Limitations of Contributions to candidates and elected officials) and an economic disclosure statement disclosing all persons or entities who have made lobbying contacts on behalf of the vendor with respect to the contract; (g) except as otherwise expressly provided by law, no supplies, materials or equipment or contractual services shall be purchased or contracted for by any Elected Official, department, institution or agency of the County, or by any officer or employee thereof, but all such supplies, materials, equipment or contractual services shall be purchased or contracted for by such county Purchasing Agent in accordance with this Division.

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**Sec. 34-124. Prevailing wage.**

(a) To the extent and as required by the Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/0.01 et seq.), the general prevailing rate of wages in this locality for laborers, mechanics and other workers engaged in the construction of public works coming under the jurisdiction of this County is hereby ascertained to be the same as the prevailing rate of wages for construction work in the Cook County area as determined by the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois, a copy of that determination being submitted hereto and incorporated herein by reference. As required by said Act, any and all revisions of the prevailing rate of wages by the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois shall supersede the Department's June determination and apply to any and all public works construction undertaken by the County of Cook. The definition of any terms appearing in this section which are also used in aforesaid Act shall be the same as in said Act.

(b) Nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply said general prevailing rate of wages as herein ascertained to any work or employment except public works construction of this County to the extent required by the aforesaid Act.

(c) The Bureau of Human Resources shall publicly post or keep available for inspection by any interested party in the main office of this Bureau of Human Resources (County) this determination or any revisions of such prevailing rate of wage. A copy of this determination or of the current revised determination of prevailing rate of wages then in effect shall be attached to all contract specifications.

(d) The Clerk shall mail a copy of this determination to any employer, and to any association of employers and to any person or association of employees who have filed their names and addresses, requesting copies of any determination stating the particular rates and the particular class of workers whose wages will be affected by such rates.

(e) The Bureau of Human Resources shall promptly file a certified copy of the ordinance from which this section is derived with both the Secretary of State Index Division and the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois.

(f) The Bureau of Human Resources shall cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the area a copy of the ordinance from which this section is derived, and such publication shall constitute notice that the determination is effective and that this is the determination of this public body.

(g) The Purchasing Agent of Cook County shall specify in the call for bids in any contract for public works that the general prevailing rate of wages in the locality for each craft or type of laborer or mechanic needed to execute the contract to perform such work, also the general prevailing rate for legal holiday and overtime work as ascertained by the Bureau of Human Resources, shall be paid for each craft or type of work needed to execute the contract or to perform such work. The Purchasing Agent in awarding the contract shall cause to be inserted in the contract a stipulation to the effect that not less than the prevailing rate of wages, as found by the Bureau of Human Resources, shall be paid to all laborers, workers and mechanics performing work under the contract, and the Purchasing Agent shall also require in all such contractor's bonds that the contract include such provision as will guarantee the faithful performance of such prevailing wage clause as provided by the contract.

(h) In the case of any underpayment of the prevailing wage, a penalty of 20 percent of the underpayment shall be assessed against the contractor or subcontractor, and the 20 percent penalty shall be payable to the Illinois Department of Labor. Any underpayment that has not been repaid to a worker within 30 days of violation is subject to an additional two percent of the underpayment as a punitive damage assessment. This is payable to the worker.

(i) There is an automatic two year debarment of any contractor or subcontractor found to have violated the Act on two separate occasions. An affected contractor or subcontractor may request the Department to hold a hearing on the alleged violations within ten days notification of the second violation.

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**Sec. 34-124. Rules, regulations and electronic procurement.**

The County Purchasing Agent, shall adopt, promulgate, and from time to time amend the rules and regulations for the proper conduct of his/her office. After July 1, 2007, the County Purchasing Agent shall implement a method of electronic procurement for the County's purchasing functions. The Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to adopt appropriate forms and procedures for County electronic procurement.

**Sec. 34-125. Disqualification for tax and fee delinquency.**

(a) No person or business entity (partnership or corporation) shall be awarded a contract for goods or services with the County that is delinquent in the payment of any tax (including real estate tax) or fee administered by the County.

(b) No person or business entity will be prohibited from entering into a contract with the County if the individual or entity is contesting liability for the amount of the debt in a pending administrative or judicial proceeding, and shows proof of the contest; or has entered into an agreement with the County for the payment of all debts owed to the County and verifies compliance with the agreement; or should the Purchasing Agent and the head of the requisitioning department, if applicable, or other appropriate department head, certify in writing to the County Board that it is in the interest of the public health, safety, or welfare of the County to enter into such contract and that the County is unable to secure a contract that is comparable in terms of price, quality, or quantity.

(c) Every County contract shall contain a provision that entitles the County to set off a portion of the contract price equal to the amount of the fines and penalties for each tax or fee delinquency and any debt owed by the contracting party to the County.

(d) Before awarding a contract for goods or services, the County agency shall obtain a statement under oath from the person or business entity that none of the taxes or fees contested, or other taxes or fees, are delinquent. The statement shall conform in substance to the following form:

**VERIFICATION OF PAYMENT OF COOK COUNTY**

**TAXES AND FEES**

(Name of Person or Entity) is (are) not (an) owner(s) or a party responsible for the payment of any tax or fee in Cook County for which such tax or fee is delinquent. (If applicable) (Name of Person or Entity) represents the following is a complete list of real estate owned by (person or entity) in Cook County: (list by index number).

(e) The effect of any person or entity making a false statement under oath shall be to entitle the County to set off a portion of the contract price equal to the amount of the tax or fee delinquency. In addition, a 25 percent penalty on the amount of the tax or fee delinquency shall be imposed. Making a false statement under oath regarding delinquency shall be a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of \$100.00.

(f) If during the existence of any contract for goods or services between the County and any person or business entity, such person or entity shall become delinquent for nonpayment of taxes or fees administered by the County, the County shall be entitled to set off a portion of the contract price equal to the amount of the tax and fee delinquency, and impose a 25 percent penalty on the amount of the delinquent tax or fee.

(g) No person or entity will have a set off, penalty or fine imposed except after a hearing. Such person or entity shall be given five days written notice of the hearing affording an opportunity to appear and defend. The hearing shall be held before a representative of the County appointed by the County Board who shall report findings to the County Board. The County Board shall have the right to authorize the examination of the books and records of any person or entity upon whom notice of a hearing has been served.

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(h) If the County Board shall determine after such hearing that a set off, penalty or fine should be imposed, within 15 days the Board shall state the reason or reasons for such determination in a written order and shall serve a copy of such order upon the person or business entity.

(i) Whenever it shall appear from the books and records kept by the responsible County agency that any person or entity holding any contract with the County has failed to pay any taxes or fees, the responsible County agency shall report the fact to the County Board, and the Board may impose a set off, penalty or fine.

(j) This section applies to all contracts for goods or services, including personal services; contracts which are awarded on the basis of the bidding process described in this article; contracts which are not bid; contracts which are awarded on the basis of Division 6 of this article; contracts which originate under the authority of the County Purchasing Agent, and contracts which originate from any other office or division of the County.

(k) For the purposes of this section, "taxes or fees administered by the County" shall mean any and all taxes or fees which are imposed or collected by or on behalf of the County, its officials, agencies, boards, commissions or departments, including but not limited to taxes levied on real estate, excise taxes levied by or on behalf of the County, fees and charges imposed by ordinance or by law which are payable to an officer, agency, board, commission or department of the County for any filing, recordation, permit, license, inspection, service including medical services or for any other purpose. Taxes and fees shall be construed to include any and all interest and penalties authorized or imposed by law or by ordinance for late payment or for nonpayment of taxes or fees.

(l) Taxes or fees shall be considered delinquent if a claim, notice or demand for payment has been made for such taxes or fees by or on behalf of the County, its officers, agencies, boards, commissions or departments without timely payment, except in those cases where authorized procedures for protesting or contesting such taxes or fees have been timely and properly initiated and where such protest or contest remains pending.

**Sec. 34-125. No delegation of power to act for expenditure exceeding \$25,000.00.**

The County Board shall have no power or authority to delegate to any committee or other person or persons the "power to act," when such "power to act" shall involve the letting of any contract or the expenditure of public money exceeding the sum of \$25,000.00 except in the following instances: the payment of public utility bills and the payment of rent, pursuant to the provisions of a lease previously approved by the County Board, payment of insurance premiums, agreements and other documents necessary to carry out grant-funded projects or other board authorized transactions. Any action of the Board, or of any committee thereof, or of any other person or persons in violation of this section shall be null and void. No money shall be appropriated or ordered paid by the County Board, beyond the sum of \$25,000.00 unless such appropriation shall have been authorized by a vote of the majority of the members elected to the County Board. No officer of the County, or other person shall incur any indebtedness on behalf of the County, unless first authorized by the County Board.

**Sec. 34-126. Contracts with businesses in Northern Ireland (MacBride Principles).**

(a) *Purpose.* The Board of Commissioners desires to promote the fair and equitable treatment of religious minorities in Northern Ireland and to promote a better working environment for all citizens therein. The MacBride Principles have become a generally accepted standard for nondiscriminatory behavior of companies doing business in Northern Ireland. Legislation similar to this section has been enacted in the State of Illinois and the City of Chicago.

(b) *Adherence to MacBride Principles for contractors with Cook County.* All County contracts let by a competitive bid process as set forth in the Illinois Counties Code shall include the following language:

"If the primary contractor currently conducts any business operations in Northern Ireland, or will conduct business during the projected duration of a County contract, it is hereby required that the contractor shall make all reasonable and good faith efforts to conduct any such business operations in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Principles for Northern Ireland as defined in Illinois Public Act 85-1390."

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(e) *Penalty.* For those contractors which refuse to include the above quoted provisions in their bid contracts, the County shall assess an eight percent penalty to the contract bid. This penalty shall thereby increase an offending contractor's bid price for the purpose of canvassing the bids in order to determine who is to be the lowest responsible bidder. This penalty shall not affect the amount of any contract payment.

(d) *Exemption.* The provisions of this section shall not apply to contracts for which the County receives funds administered by the United States government, except to the extent that Congress has directed that funds shall not be withheld from states and localities that choose to implement selective purchasing policies based on agreement to comply with the MacBride Principles for Northern Ireland, or to the extent that such funds are not otherwise withheld by the Federal government.

**Sec. 34-126. Contracts for a period exceeding one year.**

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(c) The Purchasing Agent shall have authority to enter into contracts for a period authorized by the Board, and may establish the commencement and expiration dates of any contract as necessary to permit the contract to commence upon the date of execution of the contract unless another date is specified in the contract documents. The Purchasing Agent may approve amendments to the contract provided that such amendment does not increase the amount of the contract by more than one-thousand dollars (\$1,000) or extend the contract by more than thirty (30) days.

**Sec. 34-127. Sale or purchase of real estate.**

(a) No surplus real estate owned by the County shall be sold or exchanged or otherwise disposed of unless two written independent fee appraisal reports have first been obtained and presented to the County Board and the proposed sale or exchange has been presented to the Committee on Finance Real Estate Subcommittee of the County Board. At least one of such appraisals shall be an M.A.I. appraisal. The grantee may be required to pay the cost of such appraisals as a condition of conveyance of the real estate proposed to be sold or exchanged or otherwise disposed of.

(b) Unless the purchase price is \$50,000.00 or less, no real estate shall be purchased by the County unless two written independent fee appraisal reports have first been obtained and presented to the County Board and the proposed purchase has been presented to the Committee on Finance Real Estate Subcommittee of the County Board. At least one of such appraisals shall be an M.A.I. appraisal.

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(b) Nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply said general prevailing rate of wages as herein ascertained to any work or employment except public works construction of this County to the extent required by the aforesaid Act.

(c) The Bureau of Human Resources shall publicly post or keep available for inspection by any interested party in the main office of this Bureau of Human Resources (County) this determination or any revisions of such prevailing rate of wage. A copy of this determination or of the current revised determination of prevailing rate of wages then in effect shall be attached to all contract specifications.

(d) The Clerk shall mail a copy of this determination to any employer, and to any association of employers and to any person or association of employees who have filed their names and addresses, requesting copies of any determination stating the particular rates and the particular class of workers whose wages will be affected by such rates.

(e) The Bureau of Human Resources shall promptly file a certified copy of the ordinance from which this section is derived with both the Secretary of State Index Division and the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois.

(f) The Bureau of Human Resources shall cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the area a copy of the ordinance from which this section is derived, and such publication shall constitute notice that the determination is effective and that this is the determination of this public body.

(g) The Purchasing Agent of Cook County shall specify in the call for bids in any contract for public works that the general prevailing rate of wages in the locality for each craft or type of laborer or mechanic needed to execute the contract to perform such work, also the general prevailing rate for legal holiday and overtime work as ascertained by the Bureau of Human Resources, shall be paid for each craft or type of work needed to execute the contract or to perform such work. The Purchasing Agent in awarding the contract shall cause to be inserted in the contract a stipulation to the effect that not less than the prevailing rate of wages, as found by the Bureau of Human Resources, shall be paid to all laborers, workers and mechanics performing work under the contract, and the Purchasing Agent shall also require in all such contractor's bonds that the contract include such provision as will guarantee the faithful performance of such prevailing wage clause as provided by the contract.

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(h) In the case of any underpayment of the prevailing wage, a penalty of 20 percent of the underpayment shall be assessed against the contractor or subcontractor; and the 20 percent penalty shall be payable to the Illinois Department of Labor. Any underpayment that has not been repaid to a worker within 30 days of violation is subject to an additional two percent of the underpayment as a punitive damage assessment. This is payable to the worker.

(i) There is an automatic two-year debarment of any contractor or subcontractor found to have violated the Act on two separate occasions. An affected contractor or subcontractor may request the Department to hold a hearing on the alleged violations within ten days notification of the second violation.

**Sec. 34-129. Disqualification for tax and fee delinquency.**

(a) No person or business entity (partnership or corporation) shall be authorized to enter into negotiations for a contract or awarded a contract for goods or services with the County that is delinquent in the payment of any tax (including real estate tax) or fee administered by the County, a local municipality, or the Illinois Department of Revenue.

(b) Prior to initiating negotiations for any contract for goods or services, the Purchasing Agent shall obtain an economic disclosure statement which includes an attestation under oath from the person or business entity that none of the taxes or fees contested, or other taxes or fees, are delinquent. The statement shall conform in substance to the following form:

**VERIFICATION OF PAYMENT OF ALL TAXES AND FEES**

(Name of Person or Entity) is (are) not (an) owner(s) or a party responsible for the payment of any tax or fee administered by a Cook County, by a local municipality, or by the Illinois Department of Revenue, for which such tax or fee is delinquent. (If applicable) (Name of Person or Entity) represents the following is a complete list of real estate owned by (person or entity) in Cook County: (list by index number).

(c) No person or business entity will be prohibited from entering into a contract with the County if the individual or entity is contesting liability for the amount of the debt in a pending administrative or judicial proceeding, and shows proof of the contest; or has entered into an agreement with the County, municipality, or Illinois Department of Revenue, for the payment of all debts owed and verifies compliance with the agreement; or should the Purchasing Agent and the head of the requisitioning department, if applicable, or other appropriate department head, certify in writing to the County Board that it is in the interest of the public health, safety, or welfare of the County to enter into such contract and that the County is unable to secure a contract that is comparable in terms of price, quality, or quantity.

**Sec. 34-130. Penalties for Failure to Pay Cook County Taxes and Fees**

(a) Every County contract shall contain a provision that entitles the County to set off a portion of the contract price equal to the amount of the fines and penalties for each tax or fee delinquency and any debt owed by the contracting party to the County.

(b) The effect of any person or entity making a false statement under oath shall be to entitle the County to set off a portion of the contract price equal to the amount of the tax or fee delinquency. In addition, a 50-percent penalty on the amount of the tax or fee delinquency shall be imposed. Making a false statement under oath regarding delinquency shall be a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of \$500.00.

(c) If during the existence of any contract for goods or services between the County and any person or business entity, such person or entity shall become delinquent for nonpayment of taxes or fees administered by the County, the County shall be entitled to set off a portion of the contract price equal to the amount of the tax and fee delinquency, and impose a 50 percent penalty on the amount of the delinquent tax or fee.

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(d) No person or entity will have a set off, penalty or fine imposed except after a hearing. Such person or entity shall be given five days written notice of the hearing affording an opportunity to appear and defend. The hearing shall be held before a representative of the County appointed by the County Board who shall report findings to the County Board. The County Board shall have the right to authorize the examination of the books and records of any person or entity upon whom notice of a hearing has been served.

(e) If the County Board shall determine after such hearing that a set off, penalty or fine should be imposed, within 15 days the Board shall state the reason or reasons for such determination in a written order and shall serve a copy of such order upon the person or business entity.

(f) Whenever it shall appear from the books and records kept by the responsible County agency that any person or entity holding any contract with the County has failed to pay any taxes or fees, the responsible County agency shall report the fact to the County Board, and the Board may impose a set off, penalty or fine.

(g) This section applies to all contracts for goods or services, including personal services; contracts which are awarded on the basis of the bidding process described in this article; contracts which are not bid; contracts which are awarded on the basis of Division 6 of this article; contracts which originate under the authority of the County Purchasing Agent, and contracts which originate from any other office or division of the County.

(h) For the purposes of this section, "taxes or fees administered by the County" shall mean any and all taxes or fees which are imposed or collected by or on behalf of the County, its officials, agencies, boards, commissions or departments, including but not limited to taxes levied on real estate, excise taxes levied by or on behalf of the County, fees and charges imposed by ordinance or by law which are payable to an officer, agency, board, commission or department of the County for any filing, recordation, permit, license, inspection, service including medical services or for any other purpose. Taxes and fees shall be construed to include any and all interest and penalties authorized or imposed by law or by ordinance for late payment or for nonpayment of taxes or fees.

(i) Taxes or fees shall be considered delinquent if a claim, notice or demand for payment has been made for such taxes or fees by or on behalf of the County, its officers, agencies, boards, commissions or departments without timely payment, except in those cases where authorized procedures for protesting or contesting such taxes or fees have been timely and properly initiated and where such protest or contest remains pending.

**Sec. 34-131. Disqualification for Non-Compliance with child support orders.**

(a) For purposes of this section, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:

"Court ordered child support arrearage" means that the Circuit Court of Cook County has issued an order declaring the respondent in arrearage on his or her child support obligations in a specific amount as of the date of that order or, that another Illinois court of competent jurisdiction has issued such an order.

"Child support withholding notice" means any income withholding notice which pursuant to the applicable governing law, directs the payor (i) to withhold a dollar amount equal to the order of child support, and/or (ii) to withhold a dollar amount equal to or towards paying off any unpaid child support obligations, and/or (iii) to enroll a child as a beneficiary of a health insurance plan and withhold or cause to be withheld any required premiums, and also includes any order issued by the Circuit Court of Cook County or another Illinois court of competent jurisdiction which similarly directs the payor.

(b) No person or business entity (partnership or corporation) shall be authorized to enter into a contract or awarded a contract for supplies, materials, equipment or contractual services with the County that is delinquent in the payment of a court-ordered child support arrearage.

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(c) Once a contract is awarded with such an order, after notice from the County of such noncompliance and a 30 day opportunity to cure, shall be an event of default. Compliance shall be evidenced by canceled checks paid to obligee or official clerk's records that payments were received on behalf of obligee.

(d) The Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to do the following: (1) investigate the child support payment records of any contractor to determine court ordered support arrearages; (2) investigate all contractors' compliance with child support withholding notices; (3) provide information on contractors to the appropriate County and State of Illinois entities, to the extent allowed by law; to assist those offices in the enforcement of child support obligations; (4) provide the names and business addresses of contractors to persons seeking to enforce court ordered child support arrearages and child support withholding notices, and their legal representatives, to the extent allowed by law, on the condition that such information be used solely for the purpose of assisting in child support enforcement; provided that the names and identifying information of persons seeking to enforce child support orders shall be deemed confidential; and (5) to promulgate regulations relating to the operation of this section.

**Sec. 34-132. Contracts with businesses in Northern Ireland (MacBride Principles).**

(a) Purpose. The Board of Commissioners desires to promote the fair and equitable treatment of religious minorities in Northern Ireland and to promote a better working environment for all citizens therein. The MacBride Principles have become a generally-accepted standard for nondiscriminatory behavior of companies doing business in Northern Ireland. Legislation similar to this section has been enacted in the State of Illinois and the City of Chicago.

(b) Adherence to MacBride Principles for contractors with Cook County. All County contracts let by a competitive bid process as set forth in the Illinois Counties Code shall include the following language:

"If the primary contractor currently conducts any business operations in Northern Ireland, or will conduct business during the projected duration of a County contract, it is hereby required that the contractor shall make all reasonable and good faith efforts to conduct any such business operations in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Principles for Northern Ireland as defined in Illinois Public Act 85-1390."

(c) Penalty. For those contractors which refuse to include the above-quoted provisions in their bid contracts, the County shall assess an eight percent penalty to the contract bid. This penalty shall thereby increase an offending contractor's bid price for the purpose of canvassing the bids in order to determine who is to be the lowest responsible bidder. This penalty shall not affect the amount of any contract payment.

(d) Exemption. The provisions of this section shall not apply to contracts for which the County receives funds administered by the United States government, except to the extent that Congress has directed that funds shall not be withheld from states and localities that choose to implement selective purchasing policies based on agreement to comply with the MacBride Principles for Northern Ireland, or to the extent that such funds are not otherwise withheld by the Federal government.

**Sec. 34-133. Sale or purchase of real estate.**

(a) No surplus real estate owned by the County shall be sold or exchanged or otherwise disposed of unless two written independent fee appraisal reports have first been obtained and presented to the County Board and the proposed sale or exchange has been presented to the Committee on Finance Real Estate Subcommittee of the County Board. At least one of such appraisals shall be an M.A.I. appraisal. The grantee may be required to pay the cost of such appraisals as a condition of conveyance of the real estate proposed to be sold or exchanged or otherwise disposed of.

(b) Unless the purchase price is \$50,000.00 or less, no real estate shall be purchased by the County unless two written independent fee appraisal reports have first been obtained and presented to the County Board and the proposed purchase has been presented to the Committee on Finance Real Estate Subcommittee of the County Board. At least one of such appraisals shall be an M.A.I. appraisal.

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**DIVISION 2. CONTRACT PROCUREMENT**

**Sec. 34-151. Competitive bidding.**

(a) *Bids to conform to conditions in advertisements.*

(1) ~~The County Board will not entertain or consider any bid:~~

a. ~~Received after the exact time for submission of bids specified in the advertisement for bids;~~

b. ~~Not accompanied by the required certified check, bid deposit, or bid bond; or~~

c. ~~Which in any other way fails to fully comply with the terms and conditions stated in the advertisement for bids.~~

(2) ~~No bid may be changed, amended, or supplemented in any way after the exact time for submission of bids specified in the advertisement for bids. No certified check, bid deposit, or bid bond may be accepted after the exact time for submission of bids specified in the advertisement for bids.~~

(b) ~~Examination and tallying of bids. All bids shall be opened and tallied at a time predetermined by the President, who shall appoint a member of the County Board to preside and witness the conduct of the reading and announcing in public of all bids before all who desire to attend. The bids shall then be reported to the County Board at the next meeting after the opening thereof.~~

(c) ~~Right to reject bids reserved. The County Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.~~

(d) *Local business preference.*

(1) ~~In this section the term "local business" means a person authorized to transact business in this State and having a bona fide establishment for transacting business located within the County at which it was actually transacting business on the date when any competitive solicitation for a public contract is first advertised or announced and further which employs the majority of its regular, full time work force within the County, including a foreign corporation duly authorized to transact business in this State and which has a bona fide establishment for transacting business located within the County at which it was actually transacting business on the date when any competitive solicitation for a public contract is first advertised or announced and further which employs the majority of its regular, fulltime work force within the County.~~

(2) ~~The Purchasing Agent shall, in the purchase of all supplies, services and construction by competitive sealed bidding, accept the lowest bid price or lowest evaluated bid price from a responsive or responsible local business, provided that the bid does not exceed the lowest bid price or lowest evaluated bid price from a responsive and responsible nonlocal business by more than two percent.~~

(3) ~~The Purchasing Agent shall be responsible for the implementation and enforcement of this section.~~

**Sec. 34-151. Competitive bidding.**

The purchases of and contracts for supplies, materials, equipment and contractual services and all sales of personal property which has become obsolete or unusable shall be based on competitive bids or shall be based on competitive requests for proposals or requests for quotations as provided in Section 34-152.

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(a) *Authorization to advertise for bids.* The Using Department or Elected Official shall be responsible for requesting that the Board of Commissioners authorize the advertisement of a competitive bid. The Purchasing Agent shall thereafter publish the advertisement in a secular newspaper of general circulation within Cook County. Purchasing shall also post notification of the competitive bid on the Purchasing Agent's page of the Cook County's web-site, located at [www.cookcountygov/purchasing.com](http://www.cookcountygov/purchasing.com) and on Purchasing's bulletin board in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 34-153(a).

(b) *Development and approval of specifications and contract terms.* The Using Department or Elected Official shall provide to the Purchasing Agent draft contract documents which shall include a description of the services or supplies to be procured, any minimum bidder qualifications, a description of the environment within which a successful bidder will be required to perform a site inspection, cost proposal information and any other information requested by the Purchasing Agent in order to prepare and finalize the bid specifications and contract documents. The Purchasing Agent may revise the draft documents prior to finalizing and issuing the contract documents.

(c) *Pre-bid conferences.* The Using Department or Elected Official shall include the details of any pre-bid conferences in the draft contract documents submitted to the Purchasing Agent. Any changes to the date, time or place of a pre-bid conference must be communicated in writing, not less than 3 business days, prior to originally scheduled Bid Opening to the Office of the Purchasing Agent, the Purchasing Agent will issue an Addendum to all entities or persons registered as having picked up a Bid Package by the Office of the Purchasing Agent.

(d) *Requests for information, clarifications or exceptions to contract documents.* As provided in the Instructions to Bidders, all requests for information, clarification or exceptions submitted by bidders must be directed in writing only to the Purchasing Agent, not less than 3 business days prior to the Bid Opening. Upon receipt of such a request, the Purchasing Agent's Office will determine if a response will be provided. If a Using Department or Elected Official receives a written inquiry, it shall be forwarded to the Purchasing Agent immediately. If the Using Department or Elected Official receives an oral inquiry, the prospective bidder shall be referred to the Instructions to Bidders which require that all inquiries be submitted in writing to the Purchasing Agent.

(e) *Communications with bidders during bid process.* From the time a Bid Package is made available until the recommendation for award of the contract is approved by the Board, all communications from bidders must be directed in writing to the Purchasing Agent. However, bidders may communicate with the County's Office of Contract Compliance relative to the submission of information regarding proposed minority and women owned business enterprise participation in the contract. All responses to inquiries regarding the status of a bid evaluation or award shall be provided by the Office of the Purchasing Agent in accordance with approved procedures.

(f) *Communication between bidders.* From the time a Bid Package is made available to bidders until the recommendation for award of the contract is approved by the Board, no bidder shall communicate with another bidder regarding the subject matter of the procurement, with the sole exception of communications a bidder may have with a minority or women owned business enterprise to meet requirements of minority or women owned business enterprise goals. Such quotations shall not be solicited or provided in a manner that discloses or requires the disclosure of the amount of a prospective bid.

(g) *Bids to conform to conditions in advertisements.*

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- (1) The County Board will not entertain or consider any bid;
  - a. Received after the exact time for submission of bids specified in the advertisement for bids, except as may be extended in an Addendum issued to all bidders by the Purchasing Agent;
  - b. Not accompanied by the required certified check, bid deposit, or bid bond;
  - c. Not accompanied by the affidavits, certifications or economic disclosure statements required to be submitted pursuant to this Ordinance; or
  - d. Which in any other way fails to fully comply with the terms and conditions of stated in the advertisement for bids.
- (2) No bid may be changed, amended, or supplemented in any way after the exact time for submission of bids specified in the advertisement for bids. Any bidder that cancels, withdraws or modifies its bid after the bid opening will result in the bidder being deemed unqualified and will prohibit said bidder from receiving a County contract for a period of one (1) year from the date of bid opening. No certified check, bid deposit, or bid bond may be accepted after the exact time for submission of bids specified in the advertisement for bids.

(h) Examination and tallying of bids. All bids shall be opened and tallied at a time predetermined by the President, who shall appoint a member of the County Board to preside and witness the conduct of the reading and announcing in public of all bids before all who desire to attend. The bids shall then be reported to the County Board at the next meeting after the opening thereof. If it is evident that only one qualified bid has been submitted with respect to a particular contract, no bid envelope is opened and any sealed bid(s) shall be returned to the bidder(s) via certified mail unopened. The Clerk announces this fact and that the Purchasing Agent will thereafter determine whether to re-issue the solicitation of competitive bids as a result. If it is determined that an error was made in announcing the Bid or there was a failure to read all bids into the record, the Purchasing Agent shall notify the Commissioner who presided over the Bid Opening and the Clerk of the Board of the need to reconvene the Bid Opening to correct the record. As soon as reasonably possible, the Bid Opening is reconvened for the purpose of correcting the record.

(i) Evaluation of Bids. Immediately after the Bid Opening, a post bid meeting is scheduled wherein the Using Department and Contract Compliance reviews bids for technical specifications and minority business enterprise/women business enterprise requirements. Upon notification of recommended vendor from using Department and Contract Compliance, the Office of the Purchasing Agent prepares the pre-award bids report and posts said report on the County's web-site and on the bulletin board outside the Purchasing Agent's Office. The time intervals required to evaluate bids are not always predictable. Bidders are responsible for monitoring the web-site or, if they lack web access, for calling the Office of Purchasing Agent on Mondays after 12 noon at (312) 603-5370 to determine whether a recommendation for award will be posted during the upcoming week.

(j) Bid protest procedure. Any bidder who has reason to believe that the bidder identified in the posted recommendation for award is not entitled to be awarded the contract, or who has a complaint about the bid process, may submit a written bid protest, in writing, directed to the Purchasing Agent. Such protest may be submitted at any time prior to the announcement of the recommended bidder, but no later than three (3) business days after the date upon which the recommendation for award is posted on the County's web-site and on the Purchasing Agent's bulletin board. The bid protest must state with specificity the basis upon which the bidder believes that the recommendation for award is erroneous, or the basis upon which the bidder believes the bid procedure was unfair, including a statement of how the alleged unfairness prejudiced the protesting bidder. A bidder who could have submitted a request for exception, clarification or information prior to bid opening but failed to do so shall not be entitled to protest a bid on the basis of insufficient information or clarity after the bids have been opened.

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(k) The Purchasing Agent shall decide all bid protests. When a protest has been submitted, the Purchasing Agent shall defer presentation of a recommendation for award to the Board's Finance Committee until the bid protest has been decided.

(l) Contract award and execution. The final recommendation for award shall be transmitted to the Board, through its Finance Committee, for approval of the recommendation for award and execution of a contract with the approved bidder. The Purchasing Agent shall ensure that all required certifications are executed and all due diligence is performed prior to the request to award and execute the contract.

(m) Right to reject bids reserved. The County Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

(n) Local business preference.

- (1) In this section the term "local business" means a person authorized to transact business in this State and having a bona fide establishment for transacting business located within the County at which it was actually transacting business on the date when any competitive solicitation for a public contract is first advertised or announced and further which employs the majority of its regular, full-time work force within the County, including a foreign corporation duly authorized to transact business in this State and which has a bona fide establishment for transacting business located within the County at which it was actually transacting business on the date when any competitive solicitation for a public contract is first advertised or announced and further which employs the majority of its regular, fulltime work force within the County.
- (2) The Purchasing Agent shall, in the purchase of all supplies, services and construction by competitive sealed bidding, accept the lowest bid price or lowest evaluated bid price from a responsive or responsible local business, provided that the bid does not exceed the lowest bid price or lowest evaluated bid price from a responsive and responsible non-local business by more than two percent.
- (3) The Purchasing Agent shall be responsible for the implementation and enforcement of this section.

**Sec. 34-152. Contracts not adaptable to competitive bidding. Requests for Proposals or Qualifications.**

(a) Contracts which by their nature are not adapted to award by competitive bidding, such as contracts for the services of individuals possessing a high degree of professional skill where the ability or fitness of the individual plays an important part; contracts for printing of Finance Committee pamphlets, controllers estimates, and departmental reports; contracts for the printing or engraving of bonds, tax warrants and other evidence of indebtedness; contracts for ballot cards, printing of election ballots and poll sheets, and moving of election equipment and supplies; contracts for utility services such as water, light, heat, telephone, or telegraph; and contracts for the purchase of magazines, books, periodicals, and similar articles of an educational or instructional nature, and the binding of such magazines, books, periodicals, pamphlets, reports, and similar articles shall not be subject to the competitive bidding requirements of this article. The Purchasing Agent is expressly authorized to procure from any Federal, State or local government unit or agency thereof such surplus materials, supplies, commodities, or equipment as may be made available through the operation of any legislation heretofore or hereinafter enacted without conforming to the competitive bidding requirements of this article. Regular employment contracts in the County service, whether with respect to the classified services or otherwise, shall not be subject to the provisions of this article, nor shall this article be applicable to the granting or issuance pursuant to powers conferred by laws, ordinances, or resolutions or license, permits, or other authorization by the County Board, or by departments, offices, institutions, boards, commissions, agencies or other instrumentalities of the County, nor to contracts or transactions, other than the sale or lease of personal property pursuant to which the County is the recipient of money.

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(b) In addition to the specific exemptions from the competitive bidding process contained in Subsection (a) above, there are certain contracts which may be more advantageously or practicably procured through the development and issuance of a request for proposal, commonly referred to as an "RFP". The development of an effective RFP pursuant to Chapter 34, or the development of competitive bid documents pursuant to the provisions of Section 34-151, may in some cases involve the retention of professional consultants who are compensated for their work product. In such cases, a conflict of interest may arise in the event said professional consultant, acting either as an individual or as part of the same or another business entity, subsequently participates in the preparation of a proposal or bid which is submitted in response to the competitive bid or RFP at issue. These professional consultants shall be prohibited from participating in the preparation of a proposal or bid which is submitted in response to the RFP or bid documents where the professional consultant participated in the development of the RFP or bid documents.

(c) The Purchasing Agent shall have the authority to adopt procedures and promulgate rules with respect to this section.

(d) This section shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and is specifically intended to shall supersede 55 ILCS 5/5-36001 (Cook County purchasing contracts for supplies, materials and work), 55 ILCS 5/5-36004 (Cook County purchasing definitions) and 55 ILCS 5/5-36006 (Cook County purchasing competitive bids, government surplus materials).

(a) Contracts which by their nature are not adapted to award by competitive bidding, such as contracts for the services of individuals possessing a high degree of professional skill where the ability or fitness of the individual plays an important part; contracts for printing of Finance Committee pamphlets, controllers estimates, and departmental reports; contracts for the printing or engraving of bonds, tax warrants and other evidence of indebtedness; contracts for ballot cards, printing of election ballots and poll sheets, and moving of election equipment and supplies; contracts for utility services such as water, light, heat, telephone, or telegraph; and contracts for the purchase of magazines, books, periodicals, and similar articles of an educational or instructional nature, and the binding of such magazines, books, periodicals, pamphlets, reports, and similar articles shall not be subject to the competitive bidding requirements of this article.

- (1) *Criteria for use of requests for proposals or requests for qualifications.* Proposals for contracts not adaptable to competitive bidding shall be solicited through the issuance of requests for proposals ("RFP") or requests for qualifications ("RFQ"). RFPs and RFQs are appropriate when competitive bidding is not practicable or advantageous to the County. RFPs and/or RFQs may result in the negotiation of a contract with one or more proposers selected as the result of an evaluation process which includes the simultaneous consideration of multiple evaluation factors.
- (2) *Notification.* In order to issue an RFP or RFQ, the Using Department or Elected Official must notify the Purchasing Agent in writing that it intends to issue a RFP or RFQ.
- (3) *Prescribed content of RFPs and RFQs.* All RFPs and/or RFQs shall include such forms and provisions as shall be issued from time to time by the Office of the Purchasing Agent. These forms shall include, but not be limited to: Instructions to Proposers; General Conditions; Cook County Certification and Execution Forms and a Proposer Registration Form and all additional documents as required. The Using Department or Elected Official shall be responsible for developing appropriate special conditions, a proposer questionnaire and a cost proposal form.
- (4) *Review prior to issuance.* RFPs and/or RFQs shall be submitted to the Office of the Purchasing Agent for review prior to their issuance. In addition to the direct transmittal of the RFP or RFQ to potential firms or individuals, all RFPs and RFQs shall be posted on the County's web-site. Such posting shall be performed by the Bureau of Information Technology and Automation upon the request of the Office of the Purchasing Agent.

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(5) *Opening of RFPs and RFQs.* The RFPs or RFQs shall be opened in the presence of one or more witnesses after the designated date for submission. A list of firms or individuals offering proposals or responding to RFQ's shall be submitted to the Purchasing Agent within twenty-four hours of RFP or RFQ opening. The contents of the RFP or RFQ shall not be disclosed to competing offerors during the process of negotiation. Any proposer that cancels, withdraws or modifies its proposal after the proposal due date without County approval will result in the proposer being deemed unqualified and will prohibit said proposer from receiving a County contract for a period of one (1) year. A record of proposals shall be prepared and shall be open for public inspection after contract award.

(6) *Evaluation.* The Using Department or Elected Official shall identify the factors to be used in evaluating proposals, which information shall be set forth in the RFP or RFQ. These factors include, but are not limited to, price, experience and qualifications of the proposer, the quality and cost effectiveness of the proposal, and the demonstrated willingness and ability of the proposer to satisfy the requirements of the County as described in the request. The Using Department or Elected Official shall evaluate proposals and shall conduct any negotiations of a possible contract with one or more proposers.

(7) *Discussions.* As provided in the RFP or RFQ, discussions may be conducted with responsible offerors who submit proposals determined to have the greatest likelihood of being selected for a contract for the purpose of clarifying and assuring full understanding of and responsiveness to the County's requirements. Those offerors shall be accorded fair and equal treatment with respect to any opportunity for discussion and revision of proposals. Revisions to proposals may be permitted after submission and before a recommendation is made to the Board of Commissioners for the purpose of obtaining best and final offers. In conducting discussions there shall be no disclosure of any information derived from proposals submitted by competing offerors. If information is disclosed to any offeror, it shall be provided to all competing offerors. Once a proposer has been recommended to the Board of Commissioners, the Using Department or Elected Official shall finalize the contract terms for the Board's execution consideration.

(8) *Recommendations.* The Using Department or Elected Official shall recommend that the County enter into a contract with the responsible proposer whose proposal or qualifications is determined in writing to be the most advantageous to the County, taking into consideration price, qualifications and the evaluation factors set forth in the request for proposals. The Using Department or Elected Official shall document the results of its evaluation and the reasons for its recommendation to the Purchasing Agent. The Using Department or Elected Official shall be responsible for requesting the Board of Commissioners authorize a contract with the recommended proposer. The authorization of the Board of Commissioners to enter into a contract shall not result in a contract unless and until the Board has authorized the execution of the final contract documents upon the request of the Purchasing Agent. The Purchasing Agent's request to the Board for contract execution shall be subject to the proposed contractor's compliance with all applicable laws and County procedures and to the Purchasing Agent's review of the subject contract.

(b) The Purchasing Agent is expressly authorized to procure from any Federal, State or local government unit or agency thereof such surplus materials, supplies, commodities, or equipment as may be made available through the operation of any legislation heretofore or hereinafter enacted and to enter into cooperative educational agreements with not-for-profit universities and hospitals without conforming to the competitive bidding requirements of this article. Regular employment contracts in the County service, whether with respect to the classified services or otherwise, shall not be subject to the provisions of this article, nor shall this article be applicable to the granting or issuance pursuant to powers conferred by laws, ordinances, or resolutions or license, permits, or other authorization by the County Board, or by departments, offices, institutions, boards, commissions, agencies or other instrumentalities of the County, nor to contracts or transactions, other than the sale or lease of personal property pursuant to which the County is the recipient of money.

(c) This section shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and is specifically intended to supersede 55 ILCS 5/5-36001 (Cook County purchasing-contracts for supplies, materials and work), 55 ILCS 5/5-36004 (Cook County purchasing-definitions) and 55 ILCS 5/5-36006 (Cook County purchasing-competitive bids, government surplus materials).

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**Sec. 34-153. Equipment pPurchase procedure.**

(a) *Purchases exceeding \$25,000.00.* The purchases of and contracts for supplies, materials, equipment and contractual services and all sales of personal property, equipment or other property which has become obsolete or unusable shall be based on competitive bids, except as provided in Subsection (f) of this section. If the amount involved is estimated to exceed \$25,000.00, sealed bids shall be solicited by public notice inserted at least once in a newspaper of County-wide circulation and at least five calendar days before the final date of submitting bids as well as advertisement on the County's web-site and by posting notices on a public bulletin board in Office of the Purchasing Agent. Such notices shall include a general description of the commodities or contractual services to be purchased or personal property, equipment or other property to be sold and shall state where all blanks and specifications may be obtained and the time and place for the opening of bids. The County Purchasing Agent may also solicit sealed bids by sending requests by mail to prospective suppliers and by posting notices on a public bulletin board in the Purchasing Agent's office. After July 1st, 2007, the Purchasing Agent shall implement an electronic procurement procedure in an effort to create greater efficiency and reduce cost.

(b) *Purchases of \$750.00 or less.* Purchases, excluding professional services, having a cost of \$750.00 or less may be made with "petty cash" in the open market.

(c) *Purchases greater than \$750.00 and less than \$25,000.00.* All purchases greater than \$750.00 and less than \$25,000.00 may be made in the open market without publication in a newspaper as above provided, but whenever practical shall be based on at least three competitive bids.

(d) *Authorization for purchases over \$25,000.00.* No purchases, orders or contracts of \$25,000.00 or more shall be made unless authorized by the County Board. All sales of obsolete or unusable material, property, or equipment shall be made to the highest bidder, except as provided for in Subsection (f) of this section.

(e) *Determination of award.* All purchases, orders, or contracts shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, taking into consideration the qualities of the articles supplied, their conformity with the specifications, their suitability to the requirements of the County and the delivery terms. In the determination of the award to the lowest responsible bidder, nothing herein shall be interpreted to preclude an award to a bidder other than the lowest actual bidder if such an award is made in furtherance of affirmative action policies adopted by the County Purchasing Agent for the promotion of nondiscriminatory hiring practices and equal employment opportunity. Provided, however, that the award of all contracts shall be responsible and reasonable. Any bid may be rejected and new bids may be solicited if the public interest is served thereby. Each bid, with the name of the bidder, shall be entered on a record, which record with the successful bid indicated thereon shall, after the award of the purchase or order or contract, be open to public inspection. A copy of all contracts shall be filed with the County Comptroller and with the County Purchasing Agent.

(f) *Distribution of assets.*

- (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsections (a)-(e) of this section, the County Board reserves the right to designate certain unusable, surplus and/or obsolete personal property, equipment or other property (hereinafter referred to collectively as "assets") for distribution as charitable donations. Assets may be designated for distribution as charitable donations, if:
  - a. A determination has been made that the assets are not needed by any department or division of the County;
  - b. The assets are of a type that would provide a beneficial service in either the medical or education fields to a another entity; and
  - c. The recipient of the assets is a legitimate nonprofit organization, local or foreign governmental entity.

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(2) The assets shall be transferred by an appropriate instrument of transfer, which shall include:

- a. A provision that requires the recipient to use the property in a manner that primarily promotes the implementation or improvement of medical or educational services available to the public; and
- b. A provision that indicates that ownership of the assets automatically reverts to the County if the entity at any time fails to use the property in that manner.

The responsibility for determining the recipient of the donation, pursuant to the above guidelines shall reside in the Office of the President of the County Board, with approval by the County Board.

**Sec. 34-154. Contracts for consulting and auditing services.**

(a) The County will not knowingly enter into any contract for auditing services, nor shall it consent to a subcontract for the County for such auditing services, with any party, if such party, or any affiliate of such party, has a contract or subcontract for consulting services for or with the County. Additionally, the County will not knowingly enter into any contract for consulting services, nor shall it consent to a subcontract for such consulting services, with any party, if such party, or any affiliate of such party, has a contract or subcontract for auditing services for or with the County. For purposes of this provision, "County" shall refer only to offices which are administered by the President of the County Board and shall not refer to offices which are administered by elected officials as defined below.

(b) The County shall not knowingly enter into any contract for consulting services on behalf of an elected official, nor shall it consent to a subcontract for such consulting services on behalf of an elected official, with any party, if such party, or any affiliate of such party, has a contract or subcontract to provide auditing services for or which include the elected official. For purposes of this provision section, "elected officials" shall refer to the County Sheriff, the County Clerk, the County Treasurer, the County Recorder of Deeds, the County Assessor, the County Board of Review, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, the State's Attorney of Cook County and the Office of the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County.

(c) The terms used in this section shall have the meanings set forth below:

*Affiliate* means any party that controls or is controlled by another party, by shareholdings, membership, ownership or other means of control or power including, but not limited to, a subsidiary, parent or sibling corporation. The term "affiliate" also includes any party that directly or indirectly controls or, is under common control with the specified party. A party shall be deemed to control if such party has the power to directly or indirectly affect the management or the policies of the other through ownership of voting securities, voting rights, by contract or otherwise.

*Auditing services* means the formal examination of accounting records, financial statements or compliance with some other set of financial standards in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States which functions are generally exclusively performed or supervised by individuals or business organizations licensed and authorized to do business as public accountants in the State. The term "auditing services" shall also include any independent reports and management recommendations derived or resulting from the performance of auditing services and which reports and recommendations are included within the scope of the contract for auditing services.

*Consulting services* means the rendering of analysis and advice requiring specialized expertise in a particular subject area or field. Such expertise may have been gained by education or experience in the area or field. The term "consulting services" expressly excludes auditing services.

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*Party* means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, association, limited liability company, unincorporated business, individually owned business, sole proprietorship or similar type of organization or association.

(d) This section shall not apply to any contracts or subcontracts authorized prior to the effective date of the ordinance from which this section is derived.

(e) The Purchasing Agent shall require the contractor in each contract to provide auditing or consulting services for the County (as defined in this section) to provide a certification acceptable to the Purchasing Agent that neither the contractor nor any affiliate of the contractor has a contract or a subcontract to provide consulting or auditing services for the County which is prohibited under Subsection (a) of this section. In addition, the Purchasing Agent shall require the contractor in each contract to provide consulting services for an elected official to provide a certification acceptable to the Purchasing Agent that neither the contractor nor any affiliate of the contractor has a contract or a subcontract to provide auditing services for or which include the elected official which is prohibited under Subsection (b) of this section.

**Sec. 34-155. Percentage of work of construction projects to be performed by County residents.**

~~For any construction project advertised, or if not advertised, awarded, after the effective date of Ordinance Number 97 O-08 having an estimated contract value of \$100,000.00 or more, funded solely with County funds, and where not otherwise prohibited by Federal or State law, the total hours worked by persons on the site of the construction project by employees of the contractor and subcontractors shall be performed at least 50 percent by actual residents of the County. The Purchasing Agent shall be responsible for the implementation and enforcement of this section.~~

**Sec. 34-155. Sole source procurements.**

Contracts may be awarded without use of the specified method of source selection when there is only one economically feasible source for the item. Sole source contracts must be indicated clearly and certified as sole source by both the Using Department or Elected Official and Purchasing Agent prior to Board approval.

**Sec. 34-156. Preference to citizens on public works projects.**

~~The Purchasing Agent shall specify in the call for bids in any contract for public works that such contractors bidding on public works contracts of the County shall conform to the Public Works Preference Act (30 ILCS 560/0.01 et seq.). The Purchasing Agent in awarding the contract shall cause to be inserted in the contract a stipulation to the effect that the contractor shall conform to such Act.~~

**Sec. 34-156. Emergency purchases.**

The Purchasing Agent may make emergency procurements without competitive sealed bidding or prior approval of the Board when there exists a threat to public health or public safety, or when immediate expenditure is necessary for repairs to County property in order to protect against further loss of or damage to County property, to prevent, or minimize serious disruption in County services, or to ensure the integrity of County records. Emergency procurements shall be made with as much competition as is practicable under the circumstances. A written description of the basis for the emergency and reasons for the selection of the particular contractor shall be included in the contract file. Said emergency purchases shall be communicated to the Board within 48 hours.

**Sec. 34-157. Percentage of work of construction projects to be performed by County residents.**

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**Sec. 34-158. Preference to citizens on public works projects.**

The Purchasing Agent shall specify in the call for bids in any contract for public works that such contractors bidding on public works contracts of the County shall conform to the Public Works Preference Act (30 ILCS 560/0.01 et seq.). The Purchasing Agent in awarding the contract shall cause to be inserted in the contract a stipulation to the effect that the contractor shall conform to such Act.

**DIVISION 3. SELECTION OF BOND COUNSEL AND BOND UNDERWRITERS**

**Sec. 34-181. Goals of division.**

The selection procedures set forth in this division are intended to promote the following goals:

- (1) To produce high quality cost-effective professional services from qualified providers of services;
- (2) To be competitive on the merits, and open to public scrutiny and review; and
- (3) To give appropriate consideration to Cook County-based vendors and those with significant minority or female ownership, consistent with the County's Minority Business Enterprises Ordinance.

**Sec. 34-182. Definitions.**

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this division shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

*Co-managers* means underwriting firms responsible for participating in the underwriting and the marketing of the bonds.

*Senior managers* means underwriting firms responsible for assisting with the development of the financial plan and managing the underwriting and the marketing of the bonds.

**Sec. 34-183. Competitive process for negotiated bond sales.**

(a) For the purpose of the selection process on negotiated bond sales, the Chief Financial Officer shall issue a request for proposals ("RFP") to all potential underwriters and co-managers at least once every two years or as otherwise directed by the President. Issuance of said RFP shall conform to the requirements dictated in Sec. 34-152.

(b) The RFP shall elicit general information in the following areas:

- (1) Experience and expertise in structuring and marketing bonds and notes, detailing experience with various types of issuances, including general obligation bonds, revenue bonds and tax anticipation notes.
- (2) Financial strength of the firm, particularly its capital allocated to underwriting governmental bonds.
- (3) Degree of corporate investment or "presence" in the County and State, including the location of corporate offices, brokerage offices, or back-office operations.
- (4) Proportion of minority or female ownership of the firm.
- (5) Written policies of the firm regarding sexual harassment.
- (6) Such other information items as the Chief Financial Officer may find appropriate.

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(c) Specific transaction. Responding firms shall be requested to provide information in the following areas:

- (1) Specific information about financial ideas for any specific transactions described in the RFP.
- (2) A recommended strategy for identifying and targeting purchasers of the bonds.
- (3) Proposed fees for any specific bond transactions described in the RFP.
- (4) Case examples of similar financings on which the firm has been senior manager or co-manager.

(d) Selection of the senior managers and co-managers shall be made by the President, upon the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer, and shall be submitted to the County Board for approval. The basis of selection shall be overall quality of the firm, as reflected in the response, with consideration given to minority and female ownership, written policies regarding sexual harassment, County corporate residence, and corporate investment in the County. In addition, the President and Chief Financial Officer shall consider:

- (1) The applicable skills needed for each transaction;
- (2) Past performance on County issues; and
- (3) A rotation designed to give each firm a fair opportunity to participate, and other relevant factors. The responses to the RFP shall be available for review by members of the Board of Commissioners. The President shall report to the County Board the reasons for making the selections.

**Sec. 34-184. Report of underwriters.**

There shall be included in each bond purchase agreement between the County and underwriters a provision that:

- (1) The underwriter agrees to use its best efforts to assure that the County meets its objectives in the fair and reasonable allocation of bond selling commissions to members of the underwriting syndicate, particularly to Cook County and minority- and women-owned firms;
- (2) The allocation of bond selling commissions and fees received by each member of the underwriting syndicate shall be reported to the Chief Financial Officer within 30 days of closing of the bond issue; and
- (3) The underwriter shall comply with all limitations or disclosure requirements concerning political contributions that are or may be imposed by the Municipal Securities Regulatory Board or the Securities and Exchange Commission. Failure by the underwriter to comply with this provision shall not void the sale, but shall constitute a basis for the Chief Financial Officer to remove the underwriter from the list of firms solicited for RFPs or eligible for participation in County debt issuances for a period of two years from the date of violation.

**Sec. 34-185. Bond counsel.**

(a) A request for qualifications ("RFQ") shall be sent out by the Chief Financial Officer at least once every two years or as otherwise directed by the President. The RFQ shall elicit, among other things, descriptive information about each firm, the experience of the attorneys within the firm having expertise in the areas of municipal finance law or Federal tax law pertaining to tax-exempt bonds and other special areas of expertise or strength. A "qualified" list shall be developed by the Chief Financial Officer for each type of financing. The issuance of said RFQ shall conform to the requirements dictated in Sec. 34-152.

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(b) For each bond sale or for multiple bond sales, whether negotiated or competitively bid, the Chief Financial Officer shall select three or more firms from the qualified list to be considered for inclusion in the bond issue or issues in question as either bond counsel, co-bond counsel or special tax counsel. The Chief Financial Officer shall request that each of the firms under consideration submit its fees for the anticipated work. The Chief Financial Officer shall consider the following criteria: overall experience and expertise, experience with the particular type of financing, experience with tax issues, knowledge of the County, the number of partners specializing in municipal securities work, the proposed fees, degree of presence in the County and State and the proportion of minority or female ownership of the firm. The Chief Financial Officer may set other conditions or request other information as well. Selection of the bond counsel shall be made by the President, upon the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer, and shall be submitted to the County Board for approval. The President shall report to the County Board the reasons for selection of the firm assigned the work.

**DIVISION 4. DISQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS AND PENALTIES**

**Sec. 34-211. Business entity defined.**

The term "business entity" as used in this division and in Section 34-216 means a corporation, partnership, trust, association, unincorporated business or individually owned business.

**Sec. 34-212. Bribery conviction.**

(a) No person or business entity shall be awarded a contract or subcontract, for a period of three years, if that person or business entity:

- (1) Has been convicted of bribery or attempting to bribe an officer or employee of a unit of government in that officer or employee's official capacity; or
- (2) Has made an admission of guilt of such conduct which is a matter of record but has not been prosecuted for such conduct.

(b) For purposes of the section, where an official, agent, or employee of a business entity committed the bribery or attempted bribery on behalf of such an entity and pursuant to the direction or authorization of an officer, director or other responsible official thereof, the business entity shall not be awarded a contract.

**Sec. 34-213. Persons and entities subject to disqualification.**

No person or business entity shall be awarded a contract or subcontract, for a period of five years from the date of conviction or entry of a plea or admission of guilt, if that person or business entity:

- (1) Has been convicted of an act committed, within the State, of bribery or attempting to bribe an officer or employee of a unit of State or local government or school district in the State in that officer's or employee's official capacity.
- (2) Has been convicted of an act committed, within the State, of bid-rigging or attempting to rig bids as defined in the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and Clayton Act. Act. 15 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.
- (3) Has been convicted of bid-rigging or attempting to rig bids under the laws of the State.
- (4) Has been convicted of an act committed, within the State, of price-fixing or attempting to fix prices as defined by the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and Clayton Act. 15 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.
- (5) Has been convicted of price-fixing or attempting to fix prices under the laws of the State.

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- (6) Has been convicted of defrauding or attempting to defraud any unit of State or local government or school district within the State.
- (7) Has made an admission of guilt of such conduct as set forth in Subsections (1) through (6) of this section which admission is a matter of record, whether or not such person or business entity was subject to prosecution for the offense or offenses admitted to.
- (8) Has entered a plea of nolo contendere to charge of bribery, price-fixing, bid-rigging, or fraud, as set forth in Subsections (1) through (6) of this section.

**Sec. 34-214. Business entity disqualification due to conduct of owner, partner, etc.**

(a) Business entities shall be disqualified as set forth within this division if any owner, partner, or shareholder controls, directly or indirectly, 20 percent or more of the business, or is an officer of the business entity and falls within any provisions of Section 2-883.

(b) Any contract or subcontract found to have been awarded in violation of Section 34-212, 34-216, 34-217 or 34-218 shall be voidable at discretion of the County Board. Payment for work completed at the time of any such voiding shall be at a quantum meruit rate less a 25-percent penalty.

**Sec. 34-215. Disqualification due to a ~~contract terminated for cause prior default or termination~~.**

(a) No person or business entity shall be awarded a contract or subcontract if that person or business entity has had an awarded contract terminated for cause by the County Board. The period of ineligibility shall continue for 24 months from the date the County Board terminates the contract.

(b) Persons or business entities may apply to the County Board or persons designated by the County Board for a reduction or waiver of the ineligibility period. The application shall be in writing and shall include documentation that one or all of the following conditions have occurred:

- (1) There has been a bona fide change in ownership or control of the business entity;
- (2) Disciplinary action has been taken against the person responsible for the acts giving rise to the ineligibility;
- (3) Remedial action has been taken to prevent a recurrence of the acts giving rise to the ineligibility; or
- (4) The County Board determines that the conduct of the entity does not constitute a pattern of behavior.

(c) At the request of a County department head, the County Board may suspend the ineligibility of a person or business entity in order to allow for the award of a contract. The department head shall provide sufficient facts to establish that the public health, safety or welfare of the County requires the goods and services at a comparable price and quality from other sources is not feasible. In the event the County Board grants a suspension, the period of ineligibility for the award of a new contract shall recommence from the date of completion of the contract awarded pursuant to the suspension of the ineligibility period, and shall continue for the remainder of the 24-month period of ineligibility.

(d) The determination to reduce or waive the period of ineligibility, or to suspend ineligibility for a specific contract, shall be made in writing and shall specify the reasons for the decision.

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(e) In addition to the ineligibility provided in this Section, the Purchasing Agent may reject a specific bid or proposal, or a subcontractor proposed to be used in connection with that bid or proposal, submitted by any person or business entity if that person or business entity is in arrears upon any debt to the County or is in default of any Contract with the County, or is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise upon any obligation to the County, or is otherwise prohibited by law or Ordinance from entering into the Contract. In addition, the Purchasing Agent may reject a bid or proposal, or a subcontractor proposed to be used in connection with that bid or proposal, submitted by any person or business entity deemed unqualified due to insufficient or unsatisfactory history of creditworthiness or experience in performing other contracts, including those involving the types of responsibilities required under the Contract Documents.

**Sec. 34-216. Offering gift to induce others not to bid; bribe offer to government employee.**

(a) No person or business entity shall be awarded a contract or subcontract if that person or business entity offers or pays any money or other valuable thing to any person or business entity to induce such person or business entity not to bid for a County contract or as recompense for such person or business entity not having bid on such a contract.

(b) No business shall be awarded a contract or subcontract if the business entity has knowledge that an officer or director thereof, has within the three years preceding award of the contract:

- (1) Been convicted of bribery or attempting to bribe an officer or employee of a unit of government in that officer or employee's official capacity; or
- (2) Made an admission of guilt of such conduct which is a matter of record but has not been prosecuted for such conduct.

**Sec. 34-217. Disqualification procedure.**

(a) When information shall come to the attention of the Purchasing Agent of the County that a person or business entity has been convicted, made an admission of guilt or plea of nolo contendere or otherwise falls within Sections 34-213(1) through (8), the Purchasing Agent shall send a notice of hearing to the person or business entity by certified mail, return receipt requested. The notice shall advise the person or business entity that an administrative hearing will be held at the specified time and place for the purpose of determining whether or not that person or business entity should be disqualified pursuant to this division. The hearing officer will be the Purchasing Agent or other person designated by the President of the County Board.

(b) Evidence will be limited to the factual issues raised by the notice. Persons with relevant information will testify under oath before a certified reporter. The hearing officer may refuse to hear cumulative evidence and will moderate the hearing. Strict rules of evidence will not apply to the proceedings but the hearing officer will strive to elicit the facts fully and in credible form. The affected person or business entity may be represented by an attorney.

(c) At the conclusion of the testimony the hearing officer will make a finding of whether or not the person or business entity falls within this article based upon a greater weight of the evidence. Disqualification shall be ordered upon a finding that the person or business entity falls within any provision of Section 34-213. The hearing officer will mail a written copy of the finding to the person or business entity affected by certified mail, return receipt requested.

(d) A person or business entity disqualified by the hearing officer may appeal such finding to a Review Board nominated by the President of the County Board with the advice and consent of the County Board. A notice of appeal must be filed with the Secretary of the Board within 14 days from the date the finding was mailed to the person or business entity. Enforcement of the order of disqualification will be stayed pending a review by the Review Board. The person or business entity affected by the disqualification order may file with the Secretary of the Board written exceptions to the hearing officer's findings. Exceptions must be filed within ten days of the notice of appeal. No oral presentation will be made to the Review Board.

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(e) The Review Board will review the written record, tangible evidence, the hearing officer's finding and the written exceptions and will expeditiously vote to recommend affirmance or reversal of the hearing officer's finding to the County Board. The County Board decision will be mailed to the affected person or business entity by certified mail, return receipt requested.

**Sec. 34-218. Bid specifications.**

Specifications for all bids shall contain the information contained in Sections 34-213 and 34-214 and bidders shall certify that they have read the information contained in such sections and are not in violation thereof.

**Sec. 34-219. Affidavit.**

For the purposes of this division the Purchasing Agent shall require as part of the bidding documents an affidavit from each person or business entity that they are not under the provisions as set forth in Sections 34-212 and 34-216.

**Sec. 34-220. Removal of organized crime figures from approved bidders' list.**

(a) All persons and business enterprises listed in the Chicago Crime Commission booklet *The Chicago Crime Commission Spotlight on Organized Crime-The Chicago Syndicate* are hereby stricken from the list of approved bidders for Cook County contracts. The Chicago Crime Commission booklet aforesaid is hereby incorporated by reference into this section.

(b) All persons and business enterprises listed in the Chicago Crime Commission booklet Part II, and Part III, *Spotlight On Legitimate Business And The Hoods* are stricken from the list of approved bidders for Cook County contracts. The Chicago Crime Commission booklet aforesaid is hereby incorporated by reference into this section.

**Sec. 34-221. False statements.**

Any person who knowingly makes a false statement of material fact to Cook County in violation of any statute, ordinance or regulation, or who knowingly falsifies any statement of material fact made in connection with an application, report, affidavit, oath, or attestation, including a statement of material fact made in connection with a bid, proposal, contract or economic disclosure statement or affidavit, is liable to the county for a penalty of \$500.00. Additionally, all county contracts shall provide for up to three times the amount of damages which the county sustains because of the person's violation of this section and the county's litigation and collection costs and attorney's fees.

The penalties imposed by this section shall be in addition to any other penalty provided for in the County Code.

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**ITEM #66**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE #285683**

Submitting a Proposed Ordinance Amendment sponsored by

JOHN P. DALEY, GREGG GOSLIN and MIKE QUIGLEY, County Commissioners

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**WHEREAS** the County of Cook is a home rule unit of government as defined by Article VII, Section 6(a) of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and as such may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and the affairs of its citizenry, and

**WHEREAS** the Office of the Cook County Auditor was created to protect the resources of Cook County, to monitor the actions of all personnel in positions of trust and authority over the allocation of cash and cash instruments, to enforce compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, and accounting standards, to ensure the viability of internal controls and adequacy of separation of fiduciary authority, and

**WHEREAS** the Cook County Auditor oversees the conduct of financial, compliance, and expanded scope audits while adhering at all times to generally accepted government auditing standards, as promulgated by the United States Comptroller General, and

**WHEREAS** the Cook County Auditor is required to perform annual audits of all fee agencies within the scope of Cook County government in its entirety, to ensure compliance with all policies, plans, procedures, laws, regulations, and internal control reviews in accordance with government auditing standards, and

**WHEREAS** in due course of performing audits and internal control reviews, the Cook County Auditor may publish certain findings and recommendations for the consideration of management, and

**WHEREAS** certain audit findings and recommendations indicate a specific course of action, or series of actions, is required on behalf of management, in order to achieve compliance with applicable laws, regulations, internal controls, and generally accepted government auditing standards, and

**WHEREAS** the Audit Committee of the Cook County Board of Commissioners has determined that a monthly report on the status of findings and recommendations, and any compliance measures pertaining thereto, is consistent with best practices as suggested by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), now therefore

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, that the Cook County Code, Chapter 2, Division 6, Sec. 2-311 be amended as follows:

**DIVISION 6. AUDITOR**

**Sec. 2-311. Office created; general functions.**

(a) There is hereby created the office of County Auditor who shall be appointed by the President of the County Board and ratified by a majority of the members of the County Board. The Auditor shall conduct, or cause to be conducted, financial, compliance and expanded scope audits following generally accepted government auditing standards as promulgated by the United States Comptroller General. Appointment of the Auditor shall be for a period of five years, and removal from office must be for cause and by a vote of a majority of the members of the County Board. The County Auditor's compensation and official bond shall be fixed by the County Board. In case of a vacancy in the office of Auditor caused by death, resignation or removal from office, the vacancy shall be filled in the manner aforesaid. The person appointed to the office of Auditor must be a certified public accountant, licensed by the State and be in good standing in the profession.

(b) The duties of the Auditor shall be to:

- (1) Work with the external auditor at the direction of the President and the County Board in the performance of the annual financial statement audit of the comprehensive annual financial report of the County;
- (2) Work with the external auditor at the direction of the President and the County Board in the performance of the annual financial statement audit of the County health facilities;

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- (3) Work with the external auditor at the direction of the President and the County Board in the annual audit of Federal financial assistance received by the County in accordance with the Federal Government's Single Audit Act of 1984;
- (4) Perform periodic audits of County departments and annual audits of all fee agencies including audits of financial information and of compliance with policies, plans, procedures, laws and regulations, and internal control reviews in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards, 1988 Revision*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States;
- (5) Perform periodic audits of financial applications of information systems including security of such systems in County departments;
- (6) Perform periodic reviews of the real estate tax record to verify accuracy;
- (7) Perform audits, reviews and special projects as directed by the President of the County Board or the County Board.
- (8) Monitor management compliance with all findings and recommendations contained in audit reports prepared by the Auditor or external auditors, and upon request, provide support and assistance to management in the development and implementation of new or reformed procedures and internal controls, in order to achieve compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, internal controls, and generally accepted government auditing standards.

(c) The Auditor shall submit all audits, written audit comments, responses to written audit comments, reviews and special project reports prepared pursuant to this section simultaneously to the President and the County Board.

(d) The Auditor shall prepare and submit a monthly report describing all findings and recommendations from audit reports previously considered by the Audit Committee, when said findings and recommendations are classified as "not implemented" or "implementation in progress," and shall include the status of any management compliance measures taken thereto.

(e) The Auditor may under the direction of the County Board prescribe new forms, reports, accounts or records to be used by the President and County Board in the transaction of business of their several respective offices, or change, alter or amend the same from time to time.

(f) All elected officials, officers and employees of the County shall furnish the Auditor and external auditors with all records, documents, reports and property necessary for the discharge of the duties under this section. The Auditor shall report to the County Board any matters which impede the discharge of these duties. In the event that any elected official, officer or employee of the County does not provide the requested records, documents, reports and property without good cause, the County Board shall seek whatever remedies at law are available.

(g) Each elected official and officer of the County, who receives written audit comments or recommendations from the Auditor and external auditors as a result of the Auditor's duties under this section must respond in writing to the Auditor's comments or recommendations within 15 working days explaining what actions are planned or have been taken regarding the Auditor's comments or recommendations. If a response is not received within 15 working days, the Auditor shall simultaneously notify the President and the County Board.

(h) All audit reports, written audit comments, recommendations, and responses resulting from the duties under this section are public documents and will be made available for public inspection.

(i) The Auditor may with the authority of the President of the County Board employ assistants and employees, the number and compensation of whom shall be fixed by the County Board.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**ITEM #67**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE #285684**

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER,  
FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY,  
ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY,  
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PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and LARRY SUFFREDIN,  
County Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**COOK COUNTY BUREAU OF HEALTH SERVICES MASTER EDUCATIONAL  
AGREEMENTS FINANCIAL AUDIT AND IMPACT REPORT PROPOSAL**

**WHEREAS**, Cook County government is currently working diligently to shore up the current financial situation at the Bureau of Health Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY2007 budget as well as the County's future financial health will only be successful if accountability and proper oversight is established; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the duty of this government to mandate that such accountability and oversight is realized; and

**WHEREAS**, in light of the recent, difficult budget cuts necessitated by the serious financial situation the County found itself in and in the interest of ameliorating this situation for FY2008 and for the years to come, it is incumbent upon this Honorable Body to ensure that all existing contracts are reviewed to determine that the County is receiving the best possible return on its investment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Graduate Medical Education Residency programs conducted under the purview of the Bureau of Health Services, which oversees the education and training of our healthcare professionals, is one of the most important programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the two most comprehensive Cooperative Educational Master Agreement contracts the Bureau of Health Services has entered into are with Rush University Medical Center and Loyola University Medical Center, with associated sub-agreements totaling over \$30 million for these two contracts alone; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to ensure that the expected results are being attained for all of the Cooperative Educational Master Agreements, of which the above mentioned contracts represent the most important in terms of scope, duration, and financial impact for the related sub-agreements under said contracts, it is in the best interest of this government that a full audit be conducted, accompanied by an impact report; and

**WHEREAS**, these measures are necessary in order to guarantee that taxpayers' money is invested wisely and that this government is doing everything in its power to deliver quality service in the most efficient and cost effective manner possible.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners, does hereby request a full independent audit be conducted of all Cooperative Educational Master Agreement contracts and all related sub-agreements entered into by the Bureau of Health Services; and

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #67 cont'd**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that an impact report documenting the service impact and effectiveness of these agreements should also accompany said audit; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Bureau of Health Services initiate a request for proposal (RFP) process for information purposes to determine whether or not said contracts offer the best value at the best price to Cook County.

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**ITEM #68**

**APPROVED**

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

ANTHONY J. PERAICA, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER,  
FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY,  
ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO,  
JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, MIKE QUIGLEY,  
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE  
and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Casimir Pulaski had become a national Polish hero in 1771 after he and his army defeated Russian forces in Poland; and

**WHEREAS**, Casimir Pulaski came to America in 1777 to assist the colonists in the Revolutionary War; and

**WHEREAS**, Casimir Pulaski was commissioned as a Brigadier General after he and his troops pushed back the British at the Battle of Brandywine and prevented the British from pulling off a surprise attack at Warren's Tavern; and

**WHEREAS**, General Pulaski created his own cavalry legion, the Pulaski Legion, which became the colonists first true fully trained cavalry, which consisted of 68 horses and 200 foot soldiers; and

**WHEREAS**, General Pulaski wrote in his first letter to George Washington, "I came, here, where freedom is being defended to serve it, and live or die for it;" and

**WHEREAS**, General Pulaski was mortally wounded at the Battle of Savannah by grapeshot, and died on October 11, 1779; and

**WHEREAS**, General Pulaski is remembered as one who was willing to fight tyranny in his homeland and wherever it happened to exist; and

**WHEREAS**, General Pulaski's desire to eradicate tyranny is the embodiment of the American ideal; and

**WHEREAS**, General Pulaski paid the ultimate price in the fight for America's freedom and independence; and

**WHEREAS**, there is legislation pending in the U.S. House of Representatives (H.J. Res 54) and the U.S. Senate (S.J. Res 22) which posthumously grants honorary citizenship to General Pulaski.

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #68 cont'd**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Board of Commissioners of Cook County do hereby offer their support for H.J. Res. 54 and S.J. Res. 22, granting posthumous citizenship to General Casimir Pulaski and encourage members of the U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate to support these respective resolutions as a token of our gratitude for Pulaski's life and contributions to our nation's victory in the Revolutionary War; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution be presented to the U.S. House of Representatives, the U.S. Senate, and the President of the United States.

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**ITEM #69**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE #285685**

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

GREGG GOSLIN, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, PETER N. SILVESTRI and  
MIKE QUIGLEY, County Commissioners

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER,  
FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ROBERTO MALDONADO,  
JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA,  
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and  
LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**TRUTH IN JOB CLASSIFICATION**

**WHEREAS**, the County's budget process is greatly hampered by the lack of specificity in job titles, duties and responsibilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the current employment schedules do not truly reflect an employees responsibilities making it difficult to ascertain what specific services and duties they provide to taxpayers; and

**WHEREAS**, having an employees job title reflect the true parameters of their responsibilities would allow for a more educated budget process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board has seen many instances during the latest budget process of an attempt to cut productive and important employees on the basis of their job title alone; and

**WHEREAS**, during the FY2007 budget process some of the County's senior highway engineers were cut because they were listed as "managers" which does not articulate to their responsibilities and scope of their work; and

**WHEREAS**, additionally a "Project Director" with the Department of Planning and Development is in fact the Director of Business and International Affairs, charged with establishing trade partnerships with foreign countries; and

**WHEREAS**, in light of the responsibilities of the Board of Commissioners and the President's Office, it is imperative that every tool be available to get a clear and concise understanding of the County's personnel structure and needs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby resolves that in addition to the current human resource schedules, necessary for payroll, that there also be a tandem schedule which includes job titles for each employee that describe their true responsibilities and duties; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this new schedule, to be developed by the Bureau of Human Resources, be presented for review by the Board of Commissioners and the President's Office by July 1, 2007 in anticipation of the timely development of the FY2008 budget.

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**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #70**

**REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE #285686**

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

GREGG GOSLIN, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, PETER N. SILVESTRI and  
MIKE QUIGLEY, County Commissioners

Co-Sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER,  
FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, ROBERTO MALDONADO,  
JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA,  
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and  
LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**U.S. COMMUNITIES GOVERNMENT PURCHASING ALLIANCE**

**WHEREAS**, Cook County continues to look for responsible ways to cut government costs and become more efficient and one cost cutting measure is to join a consortium of governments in purchasing supplies to allow for maximum leverage and buying power; and

**WHEREAS**, U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance (U.S. Communities), a division of U.S. Communities Public Services Alliance, was designed in cooperation with an Advisory Board of local and state government purchasing officials and is jointly sponsored by the Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO), the National Association of Counties (NACo), the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP), the National League of Cities (NLC), and the United States Conference of Mayors (USCM); and

**WHEREAS**, U.S. Communities provides a national purchasing forum for local and state government agencies, school districts (K-12), higher education and non-profits nationwide by pooling the purchasing power of over 87,000 public agencies through competitively solicited contracts for quality products through lead public agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, today U.S. Communities contracts procure 1 billion dollars in products and services annually fueled by the program's proven track record of providing public agencies unparalleled value with over 16 contracts including everything from office supplies to roofing, janitorial products, and auto parts, meeting the R.F.P. guidelines of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP) as well as MBE and MWE guidelines; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Purchasing Department is currently working on a countywide office supply contract for the County's needs of over \$4 million annually, and by participating in U.S. Communities the County could save up to 40% over contracting alone for significant savings.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Purchasing Department will contact U.S. Communities, and upon verification that the contract meets all Cook County requirements, and pursuant to the authority granted in the Illinois Statutes and the Cook County Code is authorized to participate in the office supply contract as a first step in utilizing the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Purchasing Department will report back to the Board of Commissioners six months after the commencement of the contract with details of cost savings on this contract.

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**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #71**

**APPROVED**

Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Butler, moved that the Resolution for the Levy of Taxes for the Fiscal Year 2007 be approved and adopted. Commissioner Daley called for a Roll Call, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

**ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION TO APPROVE**

Yea: Beavers, Butler, Claypool, Daley, Gorman, Goslin, Moreno, Murphy, Quigley, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin - 14.

Nay: None.

Present: Peraica - 1.

Absent: Collins, Maldonado - 2.

**The motion to approve CARRIED.**

Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Butler, moved to reconsider the vote by which the Resolution was approved. Commissioner Daley called for a Roll Call, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

**ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION TO RECONSIDER**

Yea: None.

Nay: Beavers, Butler, Claypool, Daley, Gorman, Goslin, Moreno, Murphy, Quigley, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin - 14.

Present: Peraica - 1.

Absent: Collins, Maldonado - 2.

**The motion to reconsider failed and the Resolution was APPROVED AND ADOPTED.**

Transmitting a Communication, dated March 9, 2007 from

JOHN P. DALEY, County Commissioner

Your Committee on Finance has considered and reviewed the subject of the Annual Levy of Taxes for the Fiscal Year A.D., 2007, together with the several sums necessary to be levied to meet the needs and requirements of the County of Cook for that period.

The Committee, therefore, requests your careful consideration and examination of the "Resolution for the Levy of Taxes for the Fiscal Year A.D., 2007," submitted herewith, and further recommends its adoption and passage by the Board of Commissioners.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, Illinois, has considered the subject of the Annual Tax Levy for the Fiscal Year A.D., 2007, and the several sums necessary to be levied to meet the needs and requirements of the County of Cook for said fiscal year, and has recommended that this Resolution for the Levy of Taxes be adopted; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, Illinois, approved, passed, and adopted the Annual Appropriation Bill of the County of Cook, for its Fiscal Year 2007, and which said Appropriation Bill is hereinafter set forth, together with an additional marginal column therein captioned: "**AMOUNTS OF APPROPRIATIONS PAYABLE FROM THE TAX LEVY**"

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #71 cont'd**

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**, that the sum of \$720,483,542 which is to be collected from the Annual Tax Levy for the Fiscal Year A.D. 2007 of the County of Cook for the Corporate Fund purposes of said County, and for the Public Safety Fund purposes of said County, and for the Health Program Fund purposes of said County, and for the payment of principal and interest on general obligation bonds of said County, and for Cook County Employees Annuity and Benefit Fund, and for the Election Fund: said sum being the total amount of appropriations heretofore legally made and contained in the Annual Appropriation Bill (hereinafter set forth in the Resolution) for the Fiscal Year 2007 duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, on Thursday, February 22, 2007, at a meeting convened on February 22, 2007 be and said sum of \$720,483,542 is hereby levied on and upon all taxable property in the said County of Cook for the current Fiscal Year 2007. The specific amounts herein levied for the various purposes heretofore named are stated in this Resolution, and Tax Levy, by being listed and itemized in the separate columns captioned: "**AMOUNTS OF APPROPRIATION PAYABLE FROM THE TAX LEVY.**" The tax hereby levied for said Fiscal Year 2007 for said appropriations, to be collected from this Levy, being the aforesaid total, consists of the following specific amount levied for the various purposes hereinafter set forth:

Corporate Purposes Fund	\$ 12,169,835
Allowance for Uncollected Taxes	376,387
Total Corporate Purposes Fund	12,546,222
Public Safety Fund	257,256,349
Allowance for Uncollected Taxes	7,956,382
Total Public Safety Fund	265,212,731
County Health Fund	144,388,125
Allowance for Uncollected Taxes	4,465,612
Total County Health Fund	148,853,737
Bond and Interest Funds	184,941,441
County Employees Annuity & Benefit Fund	98,929,411
Election Fund	9,700,000
Allowance for Uncollected Taxes	300,000
Total Election Fund	<u>\$ 10,000,000</u>
Total Tax Levy	<u>\$ 720,483,542</u>

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**ITEM #72**

**APPROVED**

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, County Commissioner

Co-Sponsored by

JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #72 cont'd**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois Chiefs along with the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System developed a homeland security aviation plan for the State of Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Countryside Police Department Air 2 Task Force servicing the Greater Chicago land area and currently Chicago has also started a homeland security aviation unit in conjunction with the Cook County Sheriff's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, the need for permanent funding is vital for operational costs for the homeland security aviation units; and

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois General Assembly currently has pending HB 994, which amends the Illinois Vehicle Code, the Unified Code of Corrections, and the State Finance Act; and

**WHEREAS**, this amendment, would implement the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System Fund as a special fund in the State treasury; and

**WHEREAS**, the bill provides that the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System Board shall use all moneys in the Fund for operational expenses of homeland security air support units in the State of Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, this would greatly benefit the citizens and community of Cook County as well as other area counties.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that the Board does hereby declare its support for HB 994 and urges the members of the Illinois General Assembly to pass this bill and in sequence, to urge the Governor to sign the measure into law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this Resolution is delivered to Governor Blagojevich, Senate President Emil Jones, Jr., House Speaker Michael J. Madigan, and all members of the Illinois General Assembly who represent Cook County, Illinois.

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**ITEM #73**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated March 8, 2007 from

JOSEPH M. FRATTO, Interim County Comptroller

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is a Resolution providing for the transfer of working cash funds for the Fiscal Year 2007.

The Fiscal Year 2007 Budget Resolution along with this Resolution will allow for the maintenance of an estimated \$238.2 million in the County's consolidated working cash fund and the ability to utilize working cash funds while awaiting distribution of the first and second installation of real estate tax collections. The working cash funds will be repaid throughout Fiscal Year 2007 in accordance with past practices.

Your approval of this Resolution is recommended.

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #73 cont'd**

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION** providing for a Working Cash Fund of the County of Cook and for transfers there from for the fiscal year 2007

**WHEREAS**, Section 6(a) of Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois provides that "a County which has a Chief Executive Officer elected by the electors of the County...is) a Home Rule Unit" and The County of Cook, Illinois (the "County"), has a Chief Executive Officer elected by the electors of the County and is therefore a Home Rule Unit and may, under the powers granted by said Section 6(a) of Article VII of said Constitution of 1970, exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the County maintains the Corporate, Public Safety, Health Facilities and Election Funds as independent, self-balancing funds for accounting purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has previously established separate Working Cash Funds for Corporate, Public Safety, Health Facilities and Election Fund purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, all taxes and other receipts in support of Corporate, Public Safety, Health Facilities and Election Fund purposes are paid into a single account, the County's "A" account; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has therefore determined that it is possible to consolidate its Working Cash Funds while maintaining the accounting integrity of the Corporate, Public Safety, Health Facilities and Election Funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has determined it to be more efficient and to require less borrowing to manage its cash on the basis of a consolidated Working Cash Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, it becomes necessary from time to time to borrow from a Working Cash Fund to meet ordinary and contingent expenses of the Corporate, Public Safety, Health Facilities and Election Funds of the County for cash flow needs in anticipation of settlement of various accounts receivable, including property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, it shall be the policy of Cook County to repay all loans to the Corporate, Public Safety, Health Facilities and Election Funds from any Working Cash Fund from any and all available funds prior to the end of the fiscal year during which the loan or loans were made; and

**WHEREAS**, the Annual Appropriation Bill for Fiscal Year 2007 for Cook County, Section 18, establishes a limit of \$238.2 million for the Working Cash Funds.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, Illinois, as follows:

**Section 1. Incorporation of Preambles.** The Board hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Resolution are full, true, and correct and does hereby incorporate them into this Resolution by this reference.

**Section 2. Authorization.** There is hereby created a single, consolidated Working Cash Fund in the amount of \$238.2 million to be used for the purposes described above.

**Section 3. Transfer of Funds by the Treasurer.** The Treasurer of Cook County is hereby directed to consolidate all balances in the County's various Working Cash Funds, and to make available all remaining sums, not to exceed \$238.2 million, for 2007 cash flow borrowing needs to be transferred from time to time.

**Section 4. Transfer of Funds by the Comptroller.** The Comptroller is hereby directed to transfer to the Treasurer from any and all available funds, the full aggregate amount borrowed there from prior to November 30, 2007.

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #73 cont'd**

**Section 5. Filing of the Resolution.** The Board hereby directs the Clerk of the County to file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Treasurer of the County and the Treasurer is hereby directed to cause the transfer of moneys as provided by, and for the purpose set forth, in this Resolution.

**Section 6. Severability.** If any section, paragraph or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

**Section 7. Repeater.** All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

**Section 8. Constitutional Power of the County.** This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the constitutional powers of the County as a home rule unit notwithstanding any provisions of the Illinois Revised Statutes to the contrary.

**Section 9. Effective Date.** The Board finds and determines that this Resolution shall be in full force and effect for the fiscal year 2007, December 1, 2006 through November 30, 2007.

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**ITEM #74**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated March 8, 2007 from

JOSEPH M. FRATTO, Interim County Comptroller

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is a Resolution providing for the transfer of \$34,500,000.00 from the County's Motor Fuel Tax Fund to the County's Public Safety Fund for the Fiscal Year 2007.

Your approval of this Resolution is recommended.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**A RESOLUTION** providing for the transfer of funds from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund of The County of Cook, Illinois to the Public Safety Fund of The County of Cook, Illinois.

**PREAMBLES**

**WHEREAS**, Section 6(a) of Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois provides that a "County which has a Chief Executive Officer elected by the electors of the County...is a Home Rule Unit" and The County of Cook, Illinois (the "**County**") has a Chief Executive Officer elected by the electors of the County and is therefore a Home Rule Unit and may, under the powers granted by said Section 6(a) of Article VII of said Constitution of 1970, exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has previously established a Motor Fuel Tax Fund of the County (the "**Motor Fuel Tax Fund**"); and

**WHEREAS**, Article 5, Division 7, Section 5-701.10 of the Illinois Highway Code, as amended (605 ILCS 5/5-701.10 (1993)), authorizes the County to use any motor fuel tax money allotted to the County for the purpose of paying any and all expenditures resulting from activities conducted by the circuit court located in the County and for the further purpose of paying any and all expenditures resulting from the activities of any County department which has a relation to highways located within the County; and

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #74 cont'd**

**WHEREAS**, moneys existing in the Motor Fuel Tax Fund may be used to pay any and all expenditures resulting from the activities conducted by the circuit court located in the County and for the further purpose of paying any and all expenditures resulting from the activities of any County department which has a relation to highways located within the County by transferring such moneys, in whole or in part, to the Public Safety Fund of the County (the "**Public Safety Fund**"); and

**WHEREAS**, moneys will be available in the Motor Fuel Tax Fund for transfer to the Public Safety Fund during the Fiscal Year 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has determined it to be in its best interest to transfer \$34,500,000 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund to the Public Safety Fund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of The County of Cook, Illinois, as follows:

**Section 1. Incorporation of Preambles.** The Board hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Resolution are full, true, and correct and does hereby incorporate them into this Resolution by this reference.

**Section 2. Authorization.** It is hereby found and determined that the Board has been authorized by law to transfer a sum of \$34,500,000 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund to the Public Safety Fund.

**Section 3. Transfer of Funds.** The Treasurer of the County is hereby directed to transfer from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund a sum of \$34,500,000 which amount is to be placed to the credit of the Public Safety Fund for expenditures resulting from activities conducted by the circuit court of the County and for highway related County department expenditures for the Fiscal Year 2007.

**Section 4. Filing of the Resolution.** The Board hereby directs the Clerk of the County to file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Treasurer of the County and the Treasurer is hereby directed to cause the transfer of moneys as provided by, and for the purpose set forth, in this Resolution.

**Section 5. Severability.** If any section, paragraph or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

**Section 6. Repealer.** All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

**Section 7. Constitutional Power of the County.** This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the constitutional powers of the County as a home rule unit notwithstanding any provisions of the Illinois Revised Statutes to the contrary.

**Section 8. Effective Date.** The Board hereby finds that this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage by the Board and approval by the President of the Board.

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**ITEM #75**

**APPROVED**

**COMMISSIONER PERAICA VOTED "PRESENT"**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 26, 2007 from

KIM DAVID GILMORE, Chief, Bureau of Human Resources

Transmitting herewith is a Collective Bargaining Agreement for Teamsters Local #714 (JTDC, MIS and Central Services) for your consideration and approval.

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #75 cont'd**

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by  
TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, a Collective Bargaining Agreement for the period December 1, 2004 through November 30, 2008 has been negotiated between the County of Cook and Teamsters Local #714 (JTDC, MIS and Central Services); and

**WHEREAS**, salaries and wages for this agreement have been previously approved for Fiscal Years 2005 and 2006 by the Board of Commissioners.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that this union agreement be approved by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County.

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**ITEM #76**

**APPROVED**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 26, 2007 from  
KIM DAVID GILMORE, Chief, Bureau of Human Resources

Transmitting herewith is a proposed Resolution for your consideration and approval. The purpose of this Resolution is: Appropriation adjustments to Accounts 899-814 and 499-814, to establish prevailing wage rates for positions specified in the Resolution.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$4,454.00.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of Cook County on February 23, 2007 Adopted the Annual Appropriation Bill for the Fiscal Year 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, the Annual Appropriation Bill creates Accounts 499-814, and 899-814, for Appropriation Adjustments for the Corporate and Public Safety Funds.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the wages and salaries of the following positions be fixed as follows:

<b><u>Job Code</u></b>	<b><u>Job Classification</u></b>	<b><u>Hourly Wage Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Effective Date</u></b>
<b><u>ACCOUNT 499-814</u></b>			
2342	Pipecoverer	\$35.40	1-1-07
2368	Pipecoverer Foreman	\$37.40	1-1-07
2388	Pipecoverer Material Handler	\$24.80	1-1-07
2389	Pipecoverer Pre-Apprentice	\$24.80	1-1-07
<b><u>ACCOUNT 899-814</u></b>			
2342	Pipecoverer	\$35.40	1-1-07
2368	Pipecoverer Foreman	\$37.40	1-1-07
2388	Pipecoverer Material Handler	\$24.80	1-1-07
2389	Pipecoverer Pre-Apprentice	\$24.80	1-1-07

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that \$4,454.00 from Account 499-814 be provided for these employees.

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**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #77**

**APPROVED**

**COMMISSIONER CLAYPOOL VOTED "PRESENT"**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 20, 2007 from

PETER C. NICHOLSON, Director, Department of Planning and Development

Re: New World Property, LLC  
Resolution Approving Class 6b for Abandonment

respectfully submitting this Resolution regarding New World Property LLC's application for a Class 6b property tax incentive for your consideration.

The applicant requests approval of the Class 6b as per the Classification Ordinance. This Resolution is required so that the applicant can complete their application to the Assessor of Cook County.

New World Property, LLC's application for the Class 6b, the Resolution of the City of Des Plaines and a Department of Planning and Development staff report have been submitted for your information.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for an industrial facility; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed an application from New World Property, LLC and the Resolution from the City of Des Plaines for an abandoned industrial facility located at 30 East Oakton Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois, County Board District #17, Property Index Number 09-19-301-027-0000; and

**WHEREAS**, in the case of abandonment of less than 24 months, the County may determine that special circumstances justify finding the property is deemed "abandoned"; and

**WHEREAS**, Class 6b requires a resolution by the County Board validating the property is deemed "abandoned" for the purposes of Class 6b; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has determined that the building was abandoned for 20.5 months at the time of purchase, and that special circumstances are present; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed project will retain 106 full time jobs in Cook County, create an estimated 14 new full time jobs, encourage business market expansion, and increase the potential for more tax revenues in the future as the abandoned property is reoccupied and rehabilitated.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, State of Illinois, that the President and Board of Commissioners find the property is deemed "abandoned" for the purposes of Class 6b; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, State of Illinois, that the President and Board of Commissioners indicate their approval for the filing of an application for a Cook County Real Estate Classification 6b incentive to the company for an abandoned industrial facility located at 30 East Oakton Avenue, Des Plaines, Cook County, Illinois, under the provision for abandonment of less than 24 months; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor.

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #78**

**WITHDRAWN**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 23, 2007 from

ROBERT R. SIMON, M.D., Interim Chief, Bureau of Health Services

I hereby request approval of the following resolution to update the bank account for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at JP Morgan Chase Bank for the General Fund. The bank accounts are listed below.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has the legal authority to authorize its departments and offices to open and maintain checking and savings accounts at various banks; and

**WHEREAS**, it is now necessary to update those persons who are authorized to be signatories on these checking and savings accounts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the checking and/or savings accounts for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at the JP Morgan Chase Bank, for the following purposes, be updated for the General Fund Account; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to sign checks on these checking and/or savings accounts and that the signatures of at least two (2) of these shall be required on each check:

1. Robert R. Simon, M.D.
2. Thomas J. Glaser
3. John Cookinham
4. Johnny C. Brown
5. Amjad Ali

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following persons heretofore be deleted as signatories:

1. Daniel H. Winship, M.D.
2. Alvin Holley
3. Richard C. Powell

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds from the Stroger Hospital of Cook County accounts to other County of Cook bank accounts:

1. Kelvin Magee
2. Pamela Pitts

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following name of the person authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds be removed:

1. Scott Haupers

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Auditor be directed to audit the checking accounts of said institution at the close of each Fiscal Year or at anytime it sees fit, and to file report(s) therein with the Cook County Board; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any funds drawn on said checking or savings accounts for deposit with the County Treasurer shall be transmitted to the Cook County Comptroller with an itemization of collections and designation of the account in the Office of the Comptroller.

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #79**

**WITHDRAWN**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 23, 2007 from

ROBERT R. SIMON, M.D., Interim Chief, Bureau of Health Services

I hereby request approval of the following resolution to update the bank account for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at JP Morgan Chase Bank for Miscellaneous Refund. The bank accounts are listed below.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has the legal authority to authorize its departments and offices to open and maintain checking and savings accounts at various banks; and

**WHEREAS**, it is now necessary to update those persons who are authorized to be signatories on these checking and savings accounts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the checking and/or savings accounts for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at JP Morgan Chase Bank, for the following purposes, be updated for Miscellaneous Refund; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to sign checks on these checking and/or savings accounts and that the signatures of at least two (2) of these shall be required on each check:

1. Robert R. Simon, M.D.
2. Thomas J. Glaser
3. John Cookinham
4. Johnny C. Brown
5. Amjad Ali

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following persons heretofore be deleted as signatories:

1. Daniel H. Winship, M.D.
2. Alvin Holley
2. Richard C. Powell

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds from the Stroger Hospital of Cook County accounts to other County of Cook bank accounts:

1. Kelvin Magee
2. Pamela Pitts

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following name of the person authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds be removed:

1. Scott Haupers

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Auditor be directed to audit the checking accounts of said institution at the close of each Fiscal Year or at anytime it sees fit, and to file report(s) thereon with the Cook County Board; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any funds drawn on said checking or savings accounts for deposit with the County Treasurer shall be transmitted to the Cook County Comptroller with an itemization of collections and designation of the account in the Office of the Comptroller.

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #80**

**WITHDRAWN**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 23, 2007 from

ROBERT R. SIMON, M.D., Interim Chief, Bureau of Health Services

I hereby request approval of the following resolution to update the bank account for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at JP Morgan Chase Bank for Petty Cash. The bank accounts are listed below.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has the legal authority to authorize its departments and offices to open and maintain checking and savings accounts at various banks; and

**WHEREAS**, it is now necessary to update those persons who are authorized to be signatories on these checking and savings accounts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the checking and/or savings accounts for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at JP Morgan Chase Bank, for the following purposes, be updated for Petty Cash; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to sign checks on these checking and/or savings accounts and that the signatures of at least two (2) of these shall be required on each check:

1. Robert R. Simon
2. Thomas J. Glaser
3. John Cookinham
4. Johnny C. Brown
5. Amjad Ali

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following persons heretofore be deleted as signatories:

1. Daniel H. Winship, M.D.
2. Alvin Holley
3. Richard C. Powell

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds from the Stroger Hospital of Cook County accounts to other County of Cook bank accounts:

1. Kelvin Magee
2. Pamela Pitts

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following name of the person authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds be removed:

1. Scott Haupers

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Auditor be directed to audit the checking accounts of said institution at the close of each Fiscal Year or at anytime it sees fit, and to file report(s) thereon with the Cook County Board; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any funds drawn on said checking or savings accounts for deposit with the County Treasurer shall be transmitted to the Cook County Comptroller with an itemization of collections and designation of the account in the Office of the Comptroller.

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**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #81**

**WITHDRAWN**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 23, 2007 from

ROBERT R. SIMON, M.D., Interim Chief, Bureau of Health Services

I hereby request approval of the following resolution to update the bank account for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at JP Morgan Chase Bank for Medicaid Reimbursement. The bank accounts are listed below.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has the legal authority to authorize its departments and offices to open and maintain checking and savings accounts at various banks; and

**WHEREAS**, it is now necessary to update those persons who are authorized to be signatories on these checking and savings accounts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the checking and/or savings accounts for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at JP Morgan Chase Bank, for the following purposes, be updated for Medicaid Reimbursement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to sign checks on these checking and/or savings accounts and that the signatures of at least two (2) of these shall be required on each check:

1. Robert R. Simon, M.D.
2. Thomas J. Glaser
3. John Cookinham
4. Johnny C. Brown
5. Amjad Ali

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following persons heretofore be deleted as signatories:

1. Alvin Holley
2. Richard C. Powell
3. Walter K. Knorr

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds from the Stroger Hospital of Cook County accounts to other County of Cook bank accounts:

1. Kelvin Magee
2. Pamela Pitts

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following name of the person authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds be removed:

1. Scott Haupers

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Auditor be directed to audit the checking accounts of said institution at the close of each Fiscal Year or at anytime it sees fit, and to file report(s) thereon with the Cook County Board; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any funds drawn on said checking or savings accounts for deposit with the County Treasurer shall be transmitted to the Cook County Comptroller with an itemization of collections and designation of the account in the Office of the Comptroller.

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #82**

**WITHDRAWN**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 23, 2007 from

ROBERT R. SIMON, M.D., Interim Chief, Bureau of Health Services

I hereby request approval of the following resolution to update the bank account for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at Seaway National Bank for Patient Refund. The bank accounts are listed below.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has the legal authority to authorize its departments and offices to open and maintain checking and savings accounts at various banks; and

**WHEREAS**, it is now necessary to update those persons who are authorized to be signatories on these checking and savings accounts.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the checking and/or savings accounts for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at Seaway National Bank, for the following purposes, be updated for Patient Refund; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to sign checks on these checking and/or savings accounts and that the signatures of at least two (2) of these shall be required on each check:

1. Robert R. Simon, M.D.
2. Thomas J. Glaser
3. John Cookinham
4. Johnnny C. Brown
5. Amjad Ali
6. Cynthia Przislicki

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following persons heretofore be deleted as signatories:

1. Daniel H. Winship, M.D.
2. Alvin Holley
3. Richard C. Powell

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds from the Stroger Hospital of Cook County accounts to other County of Cook bank accounts:

1. Kelvin Magee
2. Pamela Pitts

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following name of the person authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds be removed:

1. Scott Haupers

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Auditor be directed to audit the checking accounts of said institution at the close of each Fiscal Year or at anytime it sees fit, and to file report(s) thereon with the Cook County Board; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any funds drawn on said checking or savings accounts for deposit with the County Treasurer shall be transmitted to the Cook County Comptroller with an itemization of collections and designation of the account in the Office of the Comptroller.

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #83**

**WITHDRAWN**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 23, 2007 from

ROBERT R. SIMON, M.D., Interim Chief, Bureau of Health Services

I hereby request approval of the following resolution to update the bank account for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at Seaway National Bank for the Patient Trust Fund. The bank accounts are listed below.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has the legal authority to authorize its departments and offices to open and maintain checking and savings accounts at various banks; and

**WHEREAS**, it is now necessary to update those persons who are authorized to be signatories on these checking and savings accounts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the checking and/or savings accounts for Stroger Hospital of Cook County at Seaway National Bank, for the following purposes, be updated for the Patient Trust Fund; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to sign checks on these checking and/or savings accounts and that the signatures of at least two (2) of these shall be required on each check:

1. Thomas J. Glaser
2. John Cookinham
3. Johnny C. Brown
4. Amjad Ali
5. Donald O'Connell
6. Cynthia Przislicki
7. Brenda Johnson
8. Janelle Caldwell
9. Amparo Mendoza

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following persons heretofore be deleted as signatories:

1. Alvin Holley
2. Richard C. Powell
3. Bernard Scavella
4. Richard Ward
5. Mark Parrish
6. Michael Arnold
7. Mariellen Mason
8. John Robinson

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds from the Stroger Hospital of Cook County accounts to other County of Cook bank accounts:

1. Kelvin Magee
2. Pamela Pitts

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #83 cont'd**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following name of the person authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds from the Stroger Hospital of Cook County accounts to other County of Cook bank accounts be removed:

1. Scott Haupers

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Auditor be directed to audit the checking accounts of said institution at the close of each Fiscal Year or at anytime it sees fit, and to file report(s) thereon with the Cook County Board; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any funds drawn on said checking or savings accounts for deposit with the County Treasurer shall be transmitted to the Cook County Comptroller with an itemization of collections and designation of the account in the Office of the Comptroller.

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**ITEM #84**

**WITHDRAWN**

Transmitting a Communication, dated February 23, 2007 from

ROBERT R. SIMON, M.D., Interim Chief, Bureau of Health Services

I hereby request approval of the following resolution to update the bank account for the Dr. Jorge Prieto Health Center at TCF National Bank for the Checking Account. The bank accounts are listed below.

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

TODD H. STROGER, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has the legal authority to authorize its departments and offices to open and maintain checking and savings accounts at various banks; and

**WHEREAS**, it is now necessary to update those persons who are authorized to be signatories on this checking and/or savings account.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the checking and/or savings account for the Dr. Jorge Prieto Health Center at TCF National Bank, for the following purposes, be updated for the Checking Account; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to sign checks on these checking and/or savings accounts and that the signatures of at least two (2) of these shall be required on each check:

1. Robert R. Simon, M.D.
2. Thomas J. Glaser
3. John Cookinham
4. Johnny C. Brown
5. Amjad Ali

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following persons heretofore be deleted as signatories:

1. Daniel H. Winship, M.D.
2. Alvin Holley
3. Richard C. Powell

**RESOLUTIONS continued**

**ITEM #84 cont'd**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following are the names of those persons who are authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds from the Stroger Hospital of Cook County accounts to other County of Cook bank accounts:

1. Kelvin Magee
2. Pamela Pitts

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following name of the person authorized to wire or otherwise transfer funds be removed:

1. Scott Haupers

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Auditor be directed to audit the checking accounts of said institution at the close of each Fiscal Year or at anytime it sees fit, and to file report(s) thereon with the Cook County Board; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any funds drawn on said checking or savings accounts for deposit with the County Treasurer shall be transmitted to the Cook County Comptroller with an itemization of collections and designation of the account in the Office of the Comptroller.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**ITEM #85**

**APPROVED**

Pursuant to Rule 4-33, the Secretary to the Board of Commissioners hereby transmits Resolutions for your consideration. The Consent Calendar Resolutions shall be published in the Post Board Action Agenda and Journal of Proceedings as prepared by the Clerk of the Board.

**There is 1 Consent Calendar items for the March 20, 2007 meeting.**

**CC ITEM #1**

Submitting a Resolution sponsored by

JOHN P. DALEY, County Commissioner and TODD H. STROGER, President

Co-Sponsored by

WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, ROBERTO MALDONADO, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, MIKE QUIGLEY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Patrick Joseph Shannon was born in Chicago on March 17, 1927, the oldest of seven children born to Peter and Marian Shannon; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Shannon attended Archbishop Quigley Preparatory Seminary, graduating in 3 years and went on to the University of Notre Dame, from which he graduated in 1948; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Shannon married Evelyn Ryan in 1952 and became the proud father of 7 children; and

**WHEREAS**, he devoted himself to his family, even while working full-time as an accountant, teaching night school, and attending John Marshall Law School; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Shannon was an accomplished accountant, earning certification as a CPA, and attorney, while his work ethic has inspired all who know him; and

**CONSENT CALENDAR continued**

**ITEM #85 cont'd**

**CC ITEM #1 cont'd**

**WHEREAS**, as a longtime resident of Chicago's Beverly neighborhood, and later as a resident of Palos Hills, Illinois, Mr. Shannon has always been known as a kind and considerate neighbor, always willing to help; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Shannon is a proud grandfather to 15 grandchildren and 2 step-grandchildren, all of whom adore him for his loving and attentive ways.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its warmest birthday greetings to Patrick Shannon on the occasion of his 80th birthday on March 17, 2007; and joins his family and many friends in wishing him continued blessings of good health and good fortune; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County, that the Board does hereby declare March 17, 2007 to be "Honorary Patrick Shannon Day" throughout the County of Cook, and to all whom these presents may come it shall be known; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a ceremonial copy of same be tendered to Patrick Joseph Shannon, to commemorate this happy occasion.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ITEM #86**

**DETAILED INFORMATION REGARDING COMMITTEE REPORTS IS AVAILABLE FROM THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Audit ..... Meeting of March 1, 2007

**APPROVED**

Information Technology and Automation ..... Meeting of March 13, 2007

**APPROVED**

Finance ..... Meeting of March 20, 2007

**APPROVED**

Zoning and Building ..... Meeting of March 20, 2007

**APPROVED**

Roads and Bridges ..... Meeting of March 20, 2007

**APPROVED**

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The next regularly scheduled meeting is presently set for Tuesday, April 3, 2007.